

66-Revelation – 22-Transcript

welcome back to Wednesday night Bible study last week we began Revelation chapter 19 and we made it to verse 10 we're going to continue this evening and God willing we'll finish chapter 19 beginning in verse 11

let's open with a quick word of Prayer Heavenly Father we come before you and just want to thank you again Lord so much for this a wonderful gift that you've given to us in the scripture in the book of Revelation the understanding that we have from just digging into it week after week we pray father that you'll continue to open the scripture up to us to bless our understanding help us father not to walk in darkness by the way those in this world are in darkness but I was rather father to walk in the light of the glorious word of Jesus Christ we thank you Father we ask for this blessing now in his name

amen so we as I mentioned we're in chapter 19 let's just go back to verse 1 just for context we'll read through to verse 10 and then we'll begin tonight with chapter or verse 11 to pick up where we were last week and last week we really didn't have time for the after session

the chat that we have afterwards so we both pastor Marie and I will be available this evening so hopefully we'll have a lot of questions and maybe even some questions from last week as well so we'll go back to verse 1 and he says after these things after the fall we read in chapter 17 and 18 where we saw the fall of Babylon both on the spiritual side as well as the commercial in the political side and then John writes after these things I heard a

great voice of much people in heaven for many know necessarily he's not human meetings but people's souls in heaven saying hallelujah salvation and glory and honor and power unto the Lord our God for true and righteous are his judgments and that is just absolutely critical for us to understand that our God is a God of righteousness and judgment and his judgment is true and righteous for he has judged the great which did corrupt the earth with her cornea with her sexual immorality and has avenged the blood of his servants at her hand and again they said hallelujah and he and the smoke rose and her smoke rose certainly we just fixed that second and her smoke rose up forever and ever and the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshiped God that sat on the throne saying amen hallelujah and a voice came out of the throne saying praise our God all you His Saints all ye servants and ye that fear Him both small and great and ago II touched on this last week and I heard or elaborated on it last week and I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude and as the voice of many waters and as the voice of mighty thunderings saying hallelujah for the Lord God omnipotent reigns let us be glad and rejoice and give honour to him for the marriage of the lamb has come and his wife has made herself ready and to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen clean and white for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints and he said unto me write blessed are they which are called into the marriage supper of the lamb and he said unto me these are the true sayings of God and I fell at his feet to worship him so John is just so overwhelmed by

this vision and what he's seeing in this angel and bringing all of this to him that he fell at his feet to worship the angel and the angel said unto Him do not do that see you do it not

I am your fellow servant and of your brethren and have the testimony of Jesus worship God for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy and we showed last week that all the prophets have testified to Christ

and when Christ was resurrected he opened all the prophets to teach his disciples what all the prophets thought of him beginning at Moses and through all of the the writings and so this testimony of Jesus that's what this final chapter of humankind is going to be all about what what is your position with respect to Jesus Christ because Jesus Christ is the Almighty he is God he is our Creator and the devil is doing all he can to stamp this knowledge out and and God is looking for faithful witnesses and that's what that's what this study is all about to understand that this is all about faithfully testifying being faithful witnesses to the reality of the identity of Jesus Christ and so the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy beginning now in verse 11 and I saw heaven opened and behold a white horse so this is really the moment we've all been waiting for is the return of Jesus Christ and now John is saying this is this is what I saw heaven opened and behold a white horse and he that sat upon him was called faithful and true as opposed to someone else on a white horse horse who is false and a deceiver and so many I shouldn't say many but I have heard people claim in Revelation of 6 that that white horse and the rider on that white horse in

revelation 6 with the first seal that that is Jesus Christ and then the way John writes here is he's creating a contrast between the writer of this white horse and the writer of the white horse that we saw in Revelation 6 so we you should not be confused in Matthew 24 Christ besieged us not to be deceived and so to think that this white horse in the first seal is Christ as his total deception the first five seals are the operation of the devil the devil coming to his full fruition and it's not until the sixth seal that God acts and here we are in the sixth seal when when we see the cosmic signs and mankind has lost control and now God is acting so the first five seals and then are the operation of the devil and and this first white horse with that rider is a servant of the devil here we see this one this writer of the white horse is called faithful and true there's a contrast this one is called faithful and true and this one this rider in righteousness he does judge and make war so he is going to make war that the first horse if we're the first rider on the horse we see in revelation 6 verse 2 I saw and behold a white horse he doesn't say it comes from him he's just seeing this white horse and he that sat upon him had a bull right here Christ we're gonna see has a sword but this rider has a bow and a crown was given unto him one crown we're going to see Christ has many crowns but a crown was given unto him and he went forth conquering and to conquer and the Red Horse comes out right after him and so there's all of us violence and war but in contrast to Christ none of this is done in righteousness this is all done

in wickedness and deception what Christ is going to make war but he makes war in righteousness continuing in in

Revelation 19 his eyes were as a flame of fire and I just I just find this so amazing that the wicked are going to be facing Christ and he is furious his anger is fierce and that's what we need 200 to be very familiar with the Christ of the Bible the Christ who is returning and his eyes are as a flame of fire he is furious and so continuing here he says his eyes are as a flame of fire and he had

has had many crowns and he had a name written which no man knew but he himself and he was clothed with a vesture so just our name that identity and we should just maybe spend a bit of time here because he says that he not only are his eyes as a flame of fire but as I mentioned earlier the the first rider had one crown here Christ has many crowns and and why would he have many crowns well the reason he has many crowns is what we read in Revelation 18 that the kingdoms of this world have become the kingdom of Christ so Christ has conquered this world and and these these kingdoms are now his and all the crowns of all these kingdoms now belong to Christ and so this is why he has many crowns it says here on his head were many crowns and this is again we have to be careful here right this is this is all symbolic language it's not that he's literally having all these crowns on his he's gonna have all these crowns on his head these are symbols these are signs and so all the crowns of all the kingdoms of the world he inherits them all and so he is now the rightful ruler of all of the kingdoms of the earth so it goes on to say here he had a name

written that no man knew but he himself so he has this identity of who he is and it's not sure with anybody this is something that he knows and I'm not sure fully maybe we can talk about that in the chat what are the implications of this but there's something about his identity that only he knows and he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood and his name is called the Word of God and this blood we people some people believe it's his own blood because he was sacrificed but I think given the context here that he's going to be treading out the winepress there's gonna be so much blood of the wicked that is going to splash on him and so that's that's where the blood is coming from and his name is called the Word of God that's who he is everything that we are studying here in the scriptures this is who he is and everything that's in the scriptures this is what he fulfills and so he is the word of God the logos now where it says here that on his head were many crowns again we can just go back to when we were studying Luke and the devil after this forty days and forty nights in the wilderness at the end of this the devil took him to a high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment in time so there's a period of time I believe it is this in this end time where the devil has full control over the whole earth and he's offering this to Christ and this is what Christ turned down and this is what Christ refused because of his love for Israel and for us who are grafted into Israel and he was willing to sacrifice himself to be slain to be sacrificed in order to redeem his wife and he is going to inherit all of these

kingdoms but he's not he didn't take the easy way out and that's what Satan was saying like work with me and you'll have all of these kingdoms so he refused that and so the devil said all this power will I give you and the glory of them for that is delivered unto me and to whomsoever I will give it so he's going to give it to somebody and revelation shows us that there is this beast power that is going to inherit all of this glory and all of this wealth and all of this power because the devil gives him his power the devil he gives his throne his seat to this beast this human being to represent him on the earth in the end time and this is what Christ refused instead choosing to be sacrificed so that he could inherit these kingdoms righteously from from God the Father and crushed the Beast power and that's what we're witnessing now and so giving continuing in verse 14 of Revelation and the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses so this angelic host he's the Lord of hosts and so the same gellick hosts when he's returning in power and he's coming with the clouds and he's coming with glory part of his glory is this angelic host this army of angels that is following him also upon white horses clothed in fine linen which again is symbolic of righteousness white and clean and out of his mouth goes a sharp two-edged sword and so there's the sharp two-edged sword that goes out of his mouth that with it he should smite the nation's so these nations that are resistant that are rebellious that are wicked that are oppressing mankind he is gonna come forth on this white horse with these crowns upon his head and with a sharp sword that he's going to smite

the nation's and the sort the sharp sword comes out of his mouth again this is symbolic language so it's not that he you know he's gonna be returning there's gonna be a sword coming out of his mouth it's symbolic and this sharp sword is the Word of God and he is called the Word of God and he is going to smite the nations with the Word of God so all of the judgments all of the prophecies all of the promises that God has made to Israel about how he's going to handle these nations he's going to smite the nations with the fulfillment of the Word of God and not only that he shall rule them with a rod of iron so he is going to have rulership over them and this also shows us that he's not going to completely destroy all of the nations the armies yes the armies that are going to gather and fight against him he's going to crush those armies and the kings of these nations but the populations of these nations are that that haven't gone to war with him many of them will survive and we'll see this next week God willing when we study chapter 20 many of them will survive into the and he's going to rule over these nations in the Millennium but the scripture tells us he's going to rule over them with a rod of iron Jesus Christ is an intolerant person you know if there's think tolerance it's just such a high virtue oh everybody's got to be tolerant and it's loving to be tolerant no it is not loving to be tolerant Jesus Christ is intolerant and he's going to rule with the intolerance of a rod of iron and we also will share this rulership with him and so those of us who are faithful in Christ we are intolerant we do not tolerate sin in

fact here abuse the churches I believe
it's a Pergamum Thyatira he rebukes them
for their tolerance of false doctrine
and their tolerance of sexual immorality
and he says he has this against them
he's going to act against them if they
don't sort out this tolerance that they
have and the Corinthians Paul had to
upbraid the Corinthians because they
were just so tolerant of sexual
immorality in their congregation and
Paul says like I've judged this matter
already and so God is intolerant and
we're in a society now that it's
sophisticated to be tolerant but hidden
behind this tolerance is a hatred for
Christ and so they're just so tolerant
to try to destroy the morale of the
moral fabric of society so that once
they brought that down they can unleash
their hatred for Christ so we shouldn't
fall into this deception of of tolerance
Christ is intolerance we must be
intolerant we must repent and work the
sin out of our lives so that we can then
be with Christ
and judge sin so he's going to rule in
the Millennium with no tolerance for
England with a rod of iron and he shall
tread the winepress of the fierceness he
shall tread the winepress of the
fierceness
and wrath of Almighty God so God is
furious and he is coming that the the
winepress that the grapes picturing that
the harvest of mankind that the wheat is
the the firstfruits harvest but the
grapes represent mankind and and they're
going to be harvested and crushed for
their wickedness and Christ is going to
do this personally and it's going to
represent the wrath of Almighty God and
in God now this this this ruling with
zero tolerance for wicked for wickedness

was prophesied by King David in sobs
where he writes ask of me as the father
speaking to Christ and I shall give you
the heathen for your inheritance
so I crown him with many crowns and all
of these kingdoms of the heathen Christ
is going to inherit them ask of me and I
shall give you the heathen that is the
the non-israelite nations for your
inheritance and the uttermost parts of
the earth for your possession everything
is going to come under the purview of
Christ everything's going to come under
his control to the uttermost parts of
the earth every Kingdom shall be his the
kingdoms of this world have become the
kingdoms of our Lord you shall break
them with a rod of iron so there is this
arrogance that is in these nations
equity for the meek of the
shall he slay the wicked God is finally
acting and I'm just seeing that my
internet connection is looking like it's
giving me a little bit of trouble so I
just want to check and make sure that I
am coming across clearly let me just
check here I'll assume that I'm okay
until I hear back here so with the
breath of his lips he will slay the
wicked continue in Revelation and he has
on his vesture and on his thigh a name
written king of kings and Lord of lords
so all the kings are going to come under
him and he's going to inherit all these
kingdoms and then he's going to set up
us as kings and he's going to be over
all of us he truly is the king of kings
and the Lord of lords
now this is going right back to
Deuteronomy where in verse 17 of chapter
10 the Lord your God is a God of gods
and Lord of lords so this is this is the
single identity of God he is the word of
God and so we can go from the the Torah

all the way to Revelation and there's just this consistency in the Word of God and here we see this consistency revelation is drawing on the identity of God right from the the Torah in Deuteronomy that he's a God of gods and Lord of lords a great God a mighty and a terrible which regards not persons nor takes rewards and that's something we need to understand about God he is not a respecter of persons we can't believe that you know because I'm Adrian or you're who you are God is somehow going to judge differently with us then he will with others no he's no respecter of persons and so the reason that we are able to stand before is not because of our righteousness but because we have been washed in the blood of the Lamb we have been cleansed in the blood of the Lamb and and just as the original Passover in this endtime because of the blood of the Lamb the wrath of God will pass over us and anybody who has not washed their sins in the blood of the Lamb will face the wrath of God and he's no respecter of persons and he takes he doesn't take reward so you cannot be bribed and I saw continuing in Revelation 19 and I saw an angel standing in the Sun and he cried with a loud voice saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven come and gather yourselves together for the son to the supper of the Great God so there is this supper there is this meal that God is preparing but he's preparing it for the fowls of the air so they're going easy in coming and feast so this this fall harvest is going to be a feast for the wicked this traditions a fall harvest here but this harvest of the wicked it's going to be a feast for the

fowls of the air come and gather
yourself together into the supper of the
Great God that you may eat the flesh of
kings

so these kings that have come to battle
against God all of them are going to be
slaughtered and the birds of the air can
come and eat the flesh of kings and the
flesh of captains these mighty men that
seemed invincible and the flesh of
mighty men and the flesh of horses and
of them that sit on them and the flesh
of all men both free and bond both small
and great Jesus Christ is furious and he
is coming with fierce anger and he's
going to put down all of this opposition
and there's gonna be a lot of blood
everywhere

this is the God we serve this is the God
of love and this is an act of love and
we have to orient ourselves and be
familiar

with this god of Revelation because this
is God and this is what he's coming to
do and they ain't the holy angels say
even so amen hallelujah you are
righteous God and your judgments are
righteous and we as the Saints need to
have this same orientation this same
perspective and he says here in Isaiah
24 therefore has the curse devoured the
earth so this is what's happened that
curses devoured the earth and they that
dwell there again and again not that
phrasing that language that we see in
Revelation is borrowed here from Isaiah
that there's there are these people who
dwell in the earth and they're quite
comfortable thank you very much and
they're antique ristic they're against
Christ and they're quite comfortable
dwelling in the earth being established
in the earth and Christ is coming to
uproot them this is the time of trial

for them that dwell upon the earth
that the philadelphians
and the faithful Saints we are protected
we the the wrath of God passes over us
and we don't have to face this wrath but
those that dwell in the earth have to
face it they have to face this curse and
they that dwell therein are desolate
this is the hour of trial on them
therefore the inhabitants of the earth
are burned and few men left so there
will be men left that will go over into
the millennium and the earth will be
repopulated from these men so it's not a
complete utter wiping out of mankind but
the earth is burned and there's gonna be
a wholesale slaughter as God deals with
the wicked and all those that have taken
the mark of the beast but there are
going to be some men left the new wine
mourns the vine languages all the merry
heart to do sigh so there was a time
when these people were merry hearted you
know through the Great Tribulation and
the Saints were full of sorrow but they
were merry hearted and now the tables of
turn now the Saints are full of joy and
the merry hearted side Ezekiel says and
you son of man
thus says the Lord God speak unto every
feathered fowl and to every beast of the
field so it's not just the fowl now it's
also the beasts of the field assemble
yourselves and come and gather
yourselves on every side to my sacrifice
that I do sacrifice for you so God is
not only he's going to dry up the
Euphrates and the kings of the East are
going to come to Armageddon to have this
great battle but God is also inviting
the fowls of the air and the beasts of
the field to come and gather themselves
as well that the victory is that assured
that God is already already inviting the

vultures and the Eagles and the beasts of the field to come and get ready for a massive feast to feast on the flesh of the wicked assemble yourself and come and gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel that you may eat flesh and drink blood continuing in Revelation 19 19 and I saw the Beast so now John is telling us hey that's what I saw I saw the beast and the kings of the earth that are in collusion with the Beast on the whole earth all these different governments have all agreed to be together with the Beast and so John now sees the Beast isn't this human being that is the the political power and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse and against his army so they have some kind of doctrine some kind of ideology that gives them one mind they are all in agreement together and because of this doctrine or ideology that they share they don't know who Christ is they believe Christ is the enemy they believe they believe they're righteous and Christ is evil and so they've been able to agree together but they need to assemble they need to marshal all of their force and energy and they need to fight against Christ and his his armies now it's interesting in Matthew just to see this deception of the devil in Matthew 27 where the Jews were saying to each other saying sir we remember this they're speaking of Jesus Christ we remember that deceiver said while he was yet alive after three days I will rise again like can you believe this Christ the Creator comes to earth in incarnate form and he's coming to redeem Israel

he's coming to redeem Judah is coming to
redeem Israel and they don't recognize
him they don't know who he is they see
him as an enemy they see him as their
enemy and they actually refer to him as
that deceiver that's how powerful the
devil is and that's why Christ just
keeps warning us don't be deceived
because many many many are going to be
deceived there's going to be a great
apostasy many the love of many is going
to wax cold and so when it says here
that the the beast and all the kings of
the earth and the armies and their
armies gathered together to make war
against him you're either on one side or
the other you're either with Christ or
against him and it looks like most of
mankind is going to be against Christ
and that's that's what we're living
through now we're just seeing all the
different nations of the world changing
and and becoming increasingly antsy
Christic well we haven't seen anything
yet the whole world is gonna be in
alignment with the Beast and take on the
mark of the beast and be willing to
fight for the beast against Christ and
that's where we saw here in Psalms 2
again this this prophecy that the kings
of the earth set themselves they're all
in agreement they set themselves and the
rulers take counsel together there
they're planning and scheming and
strategizing together they have one mind
against the Lord and against his
anointed so it's not just Christ they're
against actually against God himself and
they're they're against him saying let
us break their bands a son
and cast their cords from us way all the
way back to Bob - Bob alone and in
Nimrod who was setting up this tower and
the civilization to break the the

rulership of God and so they wanted they
want to destroy this relationship
between Christ and and the father and
and destroy their rulership over the
earth so that they can make a name for
themselves but he that sits in the
heavens shall laugh
it's it's ridiculous these these little
ants who are trying to play God God will
just laugh and he shall have them in
derision these powerful people with
their powerful glorious armies are going
to be in confusion again just what we
saw in him with Nimrod and the original
Babylon that God put them in confusion
this is this is God we're dealing with
he's gonna put them in division then
shall he speak unto the unto them in his
wrath these human beings that are made
in His image and likeness he's going to
speak to them in his wrath and vex them
in his sore displeasure God is angry and
invested only as we look around us are
we angry do we see the evil do we sigh
and cry for the evil that's going on
around us or are we kind of used to it
are we comfortable with it because we
need to be aligned with Christ and he's
going to vex them in his sore
displeasure yet have I set my king upon
my holy hill of Zion she's gonna he's in
a laugh God is established in Christ and
Christ will be in Zion and as much as
they hate Zion and they hate the plan of
God and they hate the people of God
nothing can stop God's counsel God is
going to fulfill everything that he
probably he prophesied now look at this
prophecy in jaw in Joel 3 beginning in
verse 1 he says for behold in those days
pointing to the last days
and in that time when I shall bring
again the captivity of Judah and
Jerusalem so it's all going to be in

Christ tells us that armies are gonna surround Jerusalem I'm gonna take in Zechariah 12 and 14 show us that Jerusalem is going to be taken captive in the end time so God says in those days and in that time when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem I will also gather all nations and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat and so we saw earlier that the river Euphrates is going to dry up and all these armies are going to gather in this valley and I will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel whom they have scattered among the nations and parted my land so these people whatever doctrine or ideology they have they hate Israel and they have scattered the people of God the people of Israel among all nations they've taken them captive they've sold them into slavery and they've divided up the land it's God's land that he promised to Abraham and promised to Abraham's seed but the seed of this of the devil the seed of the serpent has come in and taken that land because he will be like the Most High and he wants that land for his children and so he's divided up among his nations and and these nations have been hostile to God's people of Israel but God says he's going to plead with them he's gonna gather them all together and he's gonna plead with him there for his people he's gonna be pleading with them because they have such a hatred for God's people and they have cast lots for my people so they've just traded God's people like like merchandise like it's nothing and have given a boy for a prostitute for a harlot and sold the girl for wine so they just have there's no value there's no value to human life there the great

ones and if you're not part of their
inner circle their tribe you're nothing
and and the people of Judah particularly
there's a vile hatred for them and
they're gathering the young boys and
selling them for prostitutes taking the
young girls and selling them as
prostitutes as well and this is part
it's not just slavery it's it's sexual
slavery that they might drink yes and
what have you to do with me
Oh tyre and sidon so this is that again
is in Middle East it's a area of Lebanon
and all the coasts of Palestine Saul is
Palestinian conflict
it's an its prophesied in the end time
and so God is saying to them what have
you to do with me so they have been
claiming to represent God and gods just
watching his hands of them saying what
do you have to do with me Oh tyre and
sidon and all the coasts of Palestine
your your claims notwithstanding you
have nothing to do with me will you
render me a recompense and if you
recompense me swiftly and speedily will
I return your recompense upon your own
head so there's an issue of judgment
here that these people are upset with
God's judgment for Israel and his
promises to Israel and they are they are
judging God as unrighteous for doing
this and they're going to punish now
Israel for being the chosen people and
God saying you know what I'm gonna turn
that back on you it's gonna come upon
your own head swiftly and speedily will
I return your recompense or your
judgments upon your own head why because
you've taken my silver and my gold so
this is what go ahead so God sees
Jerusalem then this is his and the
silver and gold there are his but you've
taken my silver and my gold so you you

believed you had the right to go in and take them and you've carried into your temples my goodly pleasant things so you've got some other kind of religion that you believe you can establish your temples and take God's things his Pleasant things and put them in your temple to establish your credibility and God says no you've taken my silver and my gold and karat and have carried into your temples my goodly pleasant things the children also of Judah and the children of Jerusalem have you sold unto the Grecians that you might remove them far from their border so this existed today's Palestinians what am I to do with you but he knows their agenda is to remove the Jews far from their border but they have nothing to do with Jerusalem they have nothing to do with Judah it's ours get out of here we'll sell you all over the world to the Grecians wherever they are and you're not going to be in the land it's ours so this is what you've done and God says behold I will raise them out of the place where you have sold them so this again is speaking of the second excess is going to act it's gonna be a second Passover the number second Exodus he's gonna gather all his people from the ends of the earth I will raise them out of the place where you have sold them and will return your recompense upon your own head so it looks like they're in power looks like their judgments are going to stand and Christ has been going to act and he's going to reverse it all he's going to put things right according to the promise that he made to Abraham and I will return your recompense upon your own head and I will sell your sons and your daughters I will sell your sons and your

daughters into the hand of the children of Judah and they shall sell them to the sabaean to a people far off for the Lord has spoken it so this is God's righteous judgment that if you live by the sword you'll die by the sword whatever your recompense is it's going to come back on your own head and so the wickedness that you've done you're going to experience it and so this whole controversy around Judah Zechariah tells us that God is going to act mightily in the name of Judah to put to reestablish Judah and to cast the bonds off Judah and then to free Judah and so then he says here proclaim you this among the Gentiles tell the Gentiles this prepare war wake up the mighty man let all the men of war draw near let them come up so that's what God is like okay let's let's finish this yeah everybody all of all of you who think you have your way prepare for war gather all your mighty men let's go and let's resolve this once and for all he says here very interesting he says beat your plowshares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears let the weak say I am strong so this is the exact opposite of the prophecy in Isaiah 2 which is the UN has this image of the statue in front of their building where the it's a pruning hook which are for the tree here this war is gonna be so intense that the Joel is telling them look you better get your plowshares and beat them into sorts and get all your pruning hooks and beat them into spears cuz you're gonna need everything you've got he says let the weak say I am strong and Zechariah tells us that God is going to strengthen Judah against the Gentiles assemble yourselves and come all you

heathen all of you all of you that are
following the Beast and gather
yourselves together round about there
cause my mighty wants to come down Oh
Lord let the heathen be wakened and come
up to the valley of jehoshaphat for
there will I sit to judge all the
nations round about so God certainly is
going to finally act and judge all these
heathen nations he says puts you in the
sickle this is the the harvest of
mankind's or theirs this first fruits
harvest of the saints but then there's
this harvest of the wicked as well put
you in the sickle for the harvest is
ripe come get you down for the press is
full so the wicked the the Saints we are
represented by weeds the wicked are
represented by grapes and and they're
just ripe they're just their wickedness
is ripe and so he says put you in the
sickle for the harvest is ripe come get
you down for the press is full the vats
overflow for their wickedness is great
and that's again where we saw that
Christ is going to personally tread on
the wicked and and he's going to crush
them in this wine press and all the the
grape juice here that we see dripping
out of this that is gonna make wine it's
gonna be blunt and this is mankind being
crushed for their wickedness and then
the blood is going to be flowing
multitudes multitudes in the valley of
decision so it's not a few you know the
whole world is gonna gun after the Beast
and yes dissemble there's a massive army
and all the kings together
him at one mind and it's multitudes
multitudes in the valley of decision for
the day of the Lord is near in the
valley of decision and notice Joel says
this is again the sixth the seal this is
when we know that it's Christ acting

prior to this
it's mankind under the influence of the
devil first five seals now with the
sixth seal Wiest the Sun and Moon are
darkened we know that God is acting the
Sun and Moon the Sun and the moon shall
be darkened and the stars shall withdraw
their shiny exactly what Jesus Christ
told us to look for in Matthew 24
exactly what we see in revelation 6 the
Lord also shall roar out of Zion so all
of this that we see with the
Palestinians and tyre and zidon
it's all in the context of the look of
the last days it's all in the context of
this this coming the opening of the
sixth seal and Christ finally acting and
so the Lord also shall roar out of Zion
and utter his voice from Jerusalem he is
angry and he is coming to re-establish
Jerusalem from taking from the wicked
who think it's theirs and the heavens
and the earth shall shake but the Lord
will be the hope of his people exact
same prophecy we see in Zechariah but
the Lord will be the hope of his people
and the strength of the children of
Israel so all of this controversy all
these armies surrounding Jerusalem the
controversy is all about the identity of
Israel and who are they to say they are
they have the promises who are they to
say they are the Covenant people and so
there's this incredible hatred of the
devil
against the covenant people and this
usurpation of Jerusalem from the wicked
and all of this God is finally acting to
put an end to it and he will be the hope
of his people and the strength of the
children of Israel as we saw as see in
Zechariah 12 so shall you know that I am
the Lord
your God dwelling in Zion so solely

Judah will finally recognize Jesus Christ as their God so shall you know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion my holy mountain not somebody else's despite their claims to the contrary and so God is going to establish Isaiah

then child Jerusalem be holy not before and all of the pretense that we see in the false prophet and the beast and they're all centered on Jerusalem it's gonna be holding then shall Jerusalem be holy and there shall no strangers pass through her anymore it's over so in other words strangers are going to be passing through her the abomination of desolation is going to be set up they're going to have control over Jerusalem and and they're going to be that Satan wants to be like the Most High and then God is gonna act and that will never happen again

strangers will no more people who believe that they have a right to Jerusalem and they have no right they're not part of the Covenant people that's gonna the God's gonna put a stop to that and the Beast was taken so going back to Revelation 19 verse 20 so that was Joel you're reading and the Beast was taken so this whoever this human being is that the Scriptures refer to as the Beast the Beast was taken and with him the false prophet so there's also that false prophet that wrought miracles before him so this religious prophet false teacher has been pointing the world to worship the Beast and now Christ is acting and the Beast was taken and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast and again Christ just keeps emphasizing to us do not be deceived do not be

deceived

do not be deceived and despite this many are going to be deceived many of God's people there's gonna be a great apostasy and then many the way the love of many will wax called there's gonna be many false prophets many false teachers and so we just have to work really really hard

to be faithful and true in teaching the Word of God in learning the Word of God in loving one another and not allowing ourselves to be deceived to fight against this and this is the the the blessing of Revelation blessed is he that reads and they that hear the words of this prophecy and keep those things that are written therein because if we do this as long as we don't stray from this we will not be that we will see very clearly we will not be deceived it's gonna be so crystal clear to us we will be puzzled as to how anybody could be deceived but deception comes from the devil when he even get us away from the Word of God we stop studying we get caught up with this world's entertainment we start reading other things and believing in those no we God we have to stick to the Word of God and so all these that are deceived with him and they received the mark of the beast and then that worshipped His image these both that's the beast and the false prophet were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone that's the end and this is what Christ wants us to see this is why he he gives us this so that we can see the things that which must shortly come to pass so we get to see the whole story so we're not going to give up we're going to endure to the end because we know how it ends and here in Isaiah speaking of this lake of fire

he says for at Offutt and this was a place that was always burning with fire and later came I think referred to as Gehenna just a place where all the waste was dumped in the city and all the burning was taking place it's ordained of old yes for the king it is prepared he has made it deep and large the pile thereof is fire and much wood the breath of the Lord like a stream of brimstone does Kindle it so it's like an early reference in Isaiah to this lake of fire that the wicked will be strong men here in Daniel 7 Daniel the prophet writes I beheld and I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horns book this is the Beast and he speaks great words of blasphemy excuse me and Daniel hurt this and I'd beheld even till the beast was slain and his body destroyed so there isn't into this beast although at the time he seems invincible and he was given to the burning flame so again there's this coherence in the Bible revelation is not just coming up with brand new things John is seeing the fulfillment of all of these prophecies that are outstanding in the text so Daniel as well as Isaiah Jeremiah Zachariah all these prophets have been prophesying of this time and there's this just beautiful coherence with the Bible and the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse so again he makes war with righteousness which sword proceeded out of his mouth and all the fowls were filled with their flesh so that's what he gathered the fowls and say come get ready do they really want to do this they want to fight against the Lord and he just slaughters them all and so now the vultures can come in in the east of

the field and they can have a feast and here at zekiel said and you son of man thus says the Lord God speak unto every feathered fowl and to every beast of the field assemble yourselves come gather yourselves and every sight said for my sacrifice even a great sacrifice so this is the same thing we saw earlier with Ezekiel he says here you shall eat the flesh of the mighty so these birds will eat the flesh of the mighty and drink the blood of the princes of the earth of rams of lambs and of goats and Bullock's all of them fatlings of bashad and you shall eat fat till you are full and drink blood till your drunken is going to be that much slaughter of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you thus shall you be filled at my table with horses and chariots with mighty men with all men of war says the Lord God God is serious and he has been patient and his wrath has been building and he is going to furiously strike the wicked and there's gonna be much much slaughter and this is what God wants us to see and understand so that we endure to the end and we will not be deceived and so that ends chapter 19 we just sort of round this out with the first part of 20 which will then continue next week but remember there are three forces here there are there's the beast and there's the false prophet but there's also the dragon and it's the dragon that's been given his power to the beast and the false prophet so we saw the beast and the false prophet thrown into the lake of fire and now in the first part of 20 and I saw an angel come down from heaven having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand and he laid hold on the dragon that old serpent which is the devil and

Satan so he takes all the way back to
Genesis remember that ancient serpent
that deceived Eve and overtook Adam that
serpent and he's just been active ever
since and now finally Christ acts slays
his puppets and now this angel comes and
lays hold on the dragon that old serpent
which is the devil and Satan and bound
him a thousand years so it's over for
the Beast it's over for the false
prophet but it's not over for Satan he's
taken out of the way for a thousand
years but it's not over for him yet and
cast him into the bottomless pit and
shut him up and set a seal upon him so
now he cannot get out that he should
deceive the nation's No More
so now God can finally deal with the
nation's without this deception
they're going to see that God has a
covenant people and they're gonna come
and serve God's covenant people and
they're gonna do so happily because that
the deception is now lifted and so and
Christ is here on earth
and finally the earth is gonna be under
God's guidance
Satan is gonna be take another way he's
not able to deceive the nation's anymore
for a thousand years says till the
thousand years should be fulfilled and
after that this is why Satan is not
dealt with completely yet because he
still has a purpose and we'll talk about
this next week after a thousand years he
must be loosed a little season it's
necessary it's a requirement so we can't
get rid of Satan yet because it's
required that after a thousand years is
given another little season and we'll
talk about that next week so here what
we've seen though in chapter 19 is that
the Bride of Christ is ready she's
washed her clothes in the blood of the

Lamb she's ready to receive her husband and Christ comes destroying the wicked he comes and there's this massive battle with the army of the beast and Christ's army and he completely crushes the Beast completely vanquishes the beast and the fowls of the air and the beasts of the field can have a field day think they can have a great feast when this beast is finally crushed he's thrown into the lake of fire the false prophet is thrown into the lake of fire all these armies that followed him are in the lake of fire there they're all vanquished and what's left now is Satan and Satan is now arrested and he's put in this pit but he's not completely vanquished because God still has a use for him and I use will come after a thousand years and we'll see that next week this this is finally it this is what we're we've been yearning for for God to take control of the earth and to establish righteousness in the earth and that's what we're gonna see when we study Revelation chapter 20 God is king Jesus Christ is Lord and we long for these days to be fulfilled and here we see it all in symbolic form but the day is coming when it's going to happen literally and that's what we look forward to