

The Parallel Visions of Revelation: Part 4

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Scripture Reader and Reading: Billy Henshall – Revelation 1.17–19

Song Leader and Song Suggestions: Phil Joseph – Anything on the Second Coming of Christ

Prelude:

- I. After showing you the parallel visions of Revelation,
 - A. it seemed to me
 - B. that I should show a summary of each vision.
- II. The main points come from William Hendriksen and his book, *More Than Conquerors*.
 - A. I have shown you the seven visions previously, but
 - B. let me add
 1. that the first three visions show the church and the world, and
 2. that the last four visions show Christ and the dragon.

Persuasion:

- I. Revelation 1–3 • The Christ-Indwelt Church in the World
 - A. Here I believe the seven churches probably represent
 - B. the seven different kinds of churches throughout church history.
 1. What Jesus said to each church then would span all of the church age.
 2. What is important is to find out which church we are.
- II. Revelation 4.1–8.5 • The Church Suffering Trial and Persecution
 - A. 4.1–5.14: Throne of God
 - B. Opening of the Seven Seals on the Scroll
 1. 1st Seal — 6.1–2: White Horse Conquerors
 2. 2nd Seal — 6.3–4: Fiery Red Horse Brings Persecution
 3. 3rd Seal — 6.5–6: Black Horse Brings Economic Hardships
 4. 4th Seal — 6.7–8: Pale Horse Brings Widespread Death

5. 5th Seal — 6.9–11: Question of the Souls Under the Altar
 6. 6th Seal — 6.12–17: Great Day of the Wrath of the Lamb
 - a) 7.1–17: Interlude Showing Souls in Heaven
 7. 7th Seal — 8.1–5: God Hears and Answers Prayers of the Saints
- III. Revelation 8.6–11.19 • The Church Avenged, Protected, Victorious
- A. 1st Trumpet — 8.7: Hail, Fire, Blood
 1. killing a third of trees and
 2. all green grass was burned up
 - B. 2nd Trumpet — 8.8–9: Great Mountain Throw into the Sea, and
 1. a third of sea turns into blood,
 2. a third of sea creatures die, and
 3. a third of ships destroyed
 - C. 3rd Trumpet — 8.10–11: Great Star Wormwood from Heaven
 1. Like a torch
 2. Fell on a third of rivers and springs
 3. Waters become wormwood
 4. Many die as a result
 - D. 4th Trumpet — 8.12–13: A Third of Celestial Bodies Darkened
 1. No light for a third of the day and night
 2. Angel warns of last three trumpets
 - E. 5th Trumpet — 9.1–12: A Star from Heaven Opens the Bottomless Pit
 1. Releases locusts
 - F. 6th Trumpet — 9.13–21: Four Bound Angels Release the Euphrates
 1. Four angels kill a third of mankind
 - G. Interlude: — 10.1–11.14
 1. John eats a little book from an angel

2. God's two witnesses prophesy
3. The witnesses are killed
4. The witnesses are resurrected

H. 7th Trumpet — 11.15–19: Christ Consumes the Kingdoms of the World

IV. Revelation 12–14 • The Christ Opposed by the Dragon and His Helpers

- A. 12.1–6 God's people birth the Christ
- B. 12.7–12 War in heaven
- C. 12.13–17 The dragon persecutes the woman
- D. 13.1–18 The rise of the sea beast and the land beast
- E. 14.1–5 The redeemed with the Lamb
- F. 14.6–13 The Judgment
- G. 14.14–20 The Harvest

V. Revelation 15–16 • Final Wrath upon the Impenitent

- A. 16.2 Loathsome sores on man
- B. 16.3 Sea turns to blood
- C. 16.4–7 Rivers and springs turn to blood
- D. 16.8–9 Men scorched with great heat
- E. 16.10–11 Darkness and pain
- F. 16.12–16 Euphrates dried up
- G. 16.17–21 It is done

VI. Revelation 17–19 • The Fall of Babylon and the Beasts

- A. 17.1–6 Babylon mother of all harlotry and abominations
- B. 17.7–18 The identity of the harlot and the beast
- C. 18.1–19.10 Babylon falls
- D. 19.11–21 Christ defeats the beast

VII. Revelation 20–22 • The Dragon's Doom, Christ & Church Victorious

- A. 20.1–10 Reign of Christ and His Saints
- B. 20.11–15 Judgment
- C. 21.1–5 New heaven and a new earth
- D. 21.6–7 It Is done
- E. 21.8–27 The New Jerusalem
- F. 22.1–5 The throne
- G. 22.6–11 The time is near
- H. 22.12–17 The final invitation
- I. 22.18–21 A warning

Exhortation:

- I. First Point