

REJOICING IN HEAVEN -- 19:1-10

OBSERVATION

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GOD’S PRAISE IS PROCLAIMED IN HEAVEN - 1-6

Rev 19:1 After these things I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, "Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power belong to the Lord our God!

Rev 19:2 For true and righteous are His

judgments, because He has judged the great harlot who corrupted the earth with her fornication; and He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her."

Rev 19:3 Again they said, "Alleluia! Her smoke rises up forever and ever!"

Rev 19:4 And the twenty-four elders

and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sat on the throne, saying, "Amen! Alleluia!"

Rev 19:5 Then a voice came from the throne, saying, "Praise our God, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!"

THE PRAISE OF GOD IS PROCLAIMED IN HEAVEN - 1-6

Involves three things:

GOD’S PRAISE IS PROCLAIMED IN HEAVEN - 1-6

THE PREPARATION OF THE BRIDE IS ANNOUNCED - 7-9

THE PURPOSE OF THE BELIEVER IS REVEALED - 10

What is it going to be like? – cf. Rev. 22:3-4;

v. 1 “a great multitude” – Who all included in the great multitude who gives this praise to God? - cf. 7:9; Heb. 12:22-24– twenty four elders; much people; four living creatures; all you His servants

What is the motivation for the heavenly multitude’s praise? - 2
Greek: *hoti* “for” - or because. - Three reasons:

v. 2 “For true and righteous” – The character of God revealed in these judgments is a motivation for praise here - Because He is true and righteous! - cf. 6:10; 15:3-4 cf. Romans 2:2, 5, 11

v. 2 “because (“for” - Greek: *hoti*) He has judged the great harlot - Because of the judgment of “Mystery Babylon”

v. 6c “Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns! Because of the Coming of the kingdom of our Lord – He is all powerful! Cf. 11:15

v. 3 Her smoke rises up forever and ever!” - Because of the Conquest of Babylon being fulfilled – Cf. 14:8; 16:19; 17:1, 17; 18:2, 8, 10, 19-20

v. 4 “the twenty-four elders” - cf. 4:9-11; 5:11, 14

v. 4 “the four living creatures” - Cherubim angels-they worship the Lord, God Almighty! - cf. 4:6-8; 5:8, 11, 14 (they said and kept on saying)

v. 5 “all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!” – Here we see His servants will be part of that great multitude in heaven!

“REJOICING IN HEAVEN”

Revelation 19:1-10

The word “*Lamb*” appears 27 times in the book in English, and the Greek word *arnion* appears 29 times in the book.

There are four “*Allelujah*’s” in this passage in the first six verses 1, 3, 4, & 6

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Rev 19:6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!"

THE PREPARATION OF THE BRIDE IS ANNOUNCED - 7-9

Rev 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready."

Rev 19:8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen

is the righteous acts of the saints.

INTERPRETATION

v. 6 "the voice of a great multitude" - The MESSAGE of praise which the multitude gives – A fourfold stanza – Rev. 19:1 " (The) Salvation and (The) glory and (The) honor and (The) power belong to the Lord our God!"

"Definite article "the" in front of each word - the word "honor" is not found in NASB or NIV

v. 1 "The Salvation" - Praise for the Salvation that belongs to the Lord our God - Cf. Ps.96:2; Acts 4:12; 1 Timothy 4:10; Titus 2:11-13; Rev.7:10; 12:10

v. 1 "The glory" - Praise for the Glory - His glory! (the outward, brilliant, display!!!) that He alone possesses and deserves – Cf. Psalm 24:7-10; 29:2; 96:3; 115:1; 1 Cor. 2:7-8 (Jesus, the Lord of glory!); John 17:5

v. 1 "The honor" - Praise for the Honor which He alone should receive – A recurring theme throughout the Bible; -Cf. 4:9, 11; 5:12, 13; 7:12; 21:24, 26; Ps. 96:6; 1 Timothy 1:17; 6:16; Hebrews 2:7, 9; 3:3; 2 Peter 1:17

v. 1 "The power" - Praise for the Power which He has – We'll really know His power then, won't we? - Cf. 4:11; 5:12; 7:12; 11:17; 12:10; 15:8 Cf. Psalm 96:1-13--includes all four aspects!

THE PREPARATION OF THE BRIDE IS ANNOUNCED - 7-9
Notice four things:

v. 7 "Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory,- The INSTRUCTION to all - ("rejoice" - Greek: agalliao - "to jump for joy") v. 7 - "marriage" - same as v. 9 Cf. Matt. 8:11; 25:1-13; John 3:29

v. 8 "And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. - The IMPORTANCE of the bride's apparel

v. 8 "the righteous acts" - righteousness - Greek: dikalomata - used 10 times in NT - translated "judgments" in Rev. 15:4 Cf. Luke 1:6; Rom. 5:16- 18; 8:3-4 "fine linen, clean and white" - Cf. 3:4-5; 4:4; 6:11; 7:14 cf. Matt. 22:1-14;

APPLICATION

Psa 96:1-13 Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Sing to the LORD, all the earth. [2] Sing to the LORD, bless His name; **Proclaim the good news of His salvation** from day to day. [3] **Declare His glory** among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. [4] For the LORD is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. [5] For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens. [6] **Honor** and majesty are before Him; **Strength** and beauty are in His sanctuary. [7] Give to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Give to the LORD glory and **strength**. [8] Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts. [9] Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth. [10] Say among the nations, "The LORD **reigns**; The world also is firmly established, It shall not be moved; He shall judge the peoples righteously." [11] Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; Let the sea roar, and all its fullness; [12] Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice before the LORD. [13] **For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, And the peoples with His truth.**

"He who overcomes shall be clothed I white garments....(Rev 3:5) "For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcome the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? (1 John 5:4-5)

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Rev 19:9 Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' " And he said to me,

"These are the true sayings of God."

THE PURPOSE OF THE BELIEVER IS REVEALED - 10

Rev 19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God!

For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

INTERPRETATION

v. 9 "Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!" - The INVITATION to the marriage supper (4th beatitude - 1:3; 14:13; 16:15); Mt. 8:11; John 3:28-29

v. 9 "called" - Rom. 1:6; 1 Cor. 1:9; Eph. 4:1; Rev. 3:20

v. 9 "These are the true sayings of God" - The IMPACT of these words upon the believer. This is how it's going to happen!

THE PURPOSE OF THE BELIEVER IS REVEALED - 10

What's my purpose?

v. 10 Worship God! -

To WORSHIP God! – don't worship angels or any fellow servant or brethren who have the testimony of Jesus, but worship God, the Father; God, the Son, Jesus and God, the Holy Spirit!

v. 10 "For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." To EXALT Jesus Christ! - The evidence of Jesus is the same as, equivalent to, the Holy Spirit--the spirit of prophecy.

APPLICATION

At Jewish weddings:

When is the marriage supper held? Only held at the end of the betrothal!

Where is the marriage supper always held? – At the bride's home!

What's my purpose?

- To WORSHIP God!!
- Not to worship angels, or any man, but to EXALT Jesus Christ!!

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		<p><u>Questions:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Where is the scene of Chapter 19?2. Who all make up the “great multitude” in Verse 1?3. What are some of the things that are promised to occur in the first 10 verses?4. Verse 3 states, “Her smoke rises up forever and ever!” What or whose smoke is being referred to? What is being conveyed here?5. Regarding the Marriage Supper, at Jewish weddings: When is the marriage supper held, with respect to the betrothal?6. At whose home, bridegroom’s or the bride’s, is the marriage supper always held?7. When does the Bible tell us “for the marriage of the Lamb has come”?8. In v. 10, what do you think is meant by “Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy”?9. What purpose is revealed to believers in today’s study?
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