

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

as revealed to the Apostle John • Lesson #52 - April 27th., 2025

Initial verses:

Revelation 11:3-12 “And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will. And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them. And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves. And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth. And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them. And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.”

• #1 THE GREAT CITY: JERUSALEM (Rev 11:8)

Revelation 11:8 “And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.”

I Thessalonians 2:13-16 “For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews: Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men: Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.”

• 2 WITNESSES KILLED BY THE ANTI-CHRIST IN JERUSALEM (Rev 11:8)

II Thessalonians 2:3-4 II Thessalonians 2:3-4 “Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.”

• JERUSALEM, SPIRITUALLY CALLED SODOM- A WICKED CITY (Rev 11:8)

Moderator: Please read **Genesis 18:16 - 19:38** for the whole story of the city of Sodom. This is a lengthy passage but it's worth it to know precisely why God judged this city. It's sad that sin dominates this once great City of God when the Anti-Christ rules from a corrupted temple that will be destroyed.

Isaiah 1:1-10 “The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me. The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master’s crib: but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider. Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment. Your country is desolate, your cities are burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers. And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city. Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah. Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.”

Isaiah 1:4 “Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward.”

Isaiah 1:9 “Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.”

Isaiah 3:8-9 “For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings are against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of his glory. The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom, they hide it not. Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves.”

Jeremiah 23:14 “I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.”

• JERUSALEM IS SPIRITUALLY CALLED EGYPT - EGYPT, AN IDOLATROUS NATION (Rev 11:8)

Moderator: Please read **Ezekiel 16:1-58 and Ezekiel 23:1-19**. These passages are too lengthy to post here but important to grasp how the city of Jerusalem seems to imitate Egypt near the end of the tribulation. God will have his way regardless of our opinions about what he should do and when.

Ezekiel 16:26 “Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.”

Ezekiel 16:32 “But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!”

Luke 13:31-35 “The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee. And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third day I shall be perfected. Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the day following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until the time come when ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.”

Acts 7:51-53 “Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye. Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers: Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept it.”

Revelation 11:9 “And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.”

Moderator: The whole world is watching the dead bodies by Satellite TV and celebrating that finally their “tormenters” are lying dead. They are now openly worshipping the beast knowing that numerous attempts to kill the witnesses were supernaturally stopped. Something to note: Another false prophet has arrived and he claims to be from Jesus and Mohammad. He’s very slick and it’s not a stretch to say he will fool many, many people. He claims to be the last Pope. He has many followers already and he claims to be the only one who has the truth directly from God. He is trying to bring Jews, Muslims and Christians together.

• **GOD COMMANDS A BODY SHOULD BE BURIED ASAP** (Rev 11:8)

Deuteronomy 21:22-23 “And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree: His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.”

• **#2 CELEBRATION OF THE SINNERS & WORSHIP OF THE ANTI-CHRIST WHO KILLED THE TWO WITNESSES** (Rev 11:9-10)

Moderator: We will cover the Anti-Christ fully in Chapter 13 with weeks of information to come. To summarize briefly, he’ll be wounded in the head and it “appears” to be a deadly wound. I personally don’t believe he’ll be dead, he’ll just act like it to then be revived to match what God did with Christ. A total counterfeit!

Revelation 13:4 “And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?”

Moderator: People will worship him because he was able to kill the Two Witnesses who performed miracles to protect themselves. Their thoughts will be, “The Beast is more powerful than the false god who helped his wicked tormentors for 3.5 years”. A worldwide celebration will take place while the two lay dead in the street in Jerusalem. They will exchange gifts in a warped duplicate on the Christmas celebration!

Revelation 11:10 “And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.”

Moderator: Now the conversation turns to questions from the congregation, Starting with Pastor Rains who has some comments about the subjects discussed in the class. The first questions being about the false prophet that has emerged recently. When I looked at some of his videos I see many women who have fallen for this smooth talking serpent. (I’m not picking on women per say, but they all seem to worship a false peace and false security of an obvious fraudulent “prophet”.

Job 20:4-5 “Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed upon earth, That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment?”

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