

**Revelation**  
**- The Lamb of God: On His Throne and Among His People**  
*Jesus Is Coming Again*  
*We Hope It's Soon*  
*We Better be Ready*  
**Revelation 19:11-21**  
**Study Notes**

**Quotes and Thoughts from the Sermon**

Is the book of Revelation written in a **chronological** manner or is it meant to be **cyclical** in form? In other words, do chapters 6-19 represent the order of events taking place during the Tribulation at the end of the age, or is there a cyclical flow to Revelation that represents events off and on throughout the church age? See the section below that lists five different times in Revelation where events associated with the Second Coming of Christ are described.

The assurance of God's final judgment on those who persecute believers frees us to love our enemies now.

For the different approaches to Revelation, see the notes from Revelation 6 and Revelation 6:1-8 and Revelation 12:1-17:

<https://www.graceccnc.org/sermon-study/post/revelation-6:1-8>

<https://www.graceccnc.org/sermon-study/post/revelation-12:1-17>

**Dennis Johnson:** Such a presentation of a divine Warrior full of wrath and vengeance against those who disregard his authority is offensive to many today. How can such an image be made winsome to people attracted more by tolerant love than by strict justice? Scripture, however, paints a realistic picture of the moral structure of the universe. Despite the preferences of naïve wishful thinkers, at the cosmic level there can be no true mercy, no genuine redemption, apart from justice.

**From G.K. Beale's commentary on Revelation** about Jesus' name being written on his robe and thigh: The thigh (translated "side" in the NIV) was the typical location of the warrior's sword (e.g., Exodus 32:27; Judges 3:16, 21; Psalm 45:3) and the symbolic place under which the hand was placed to swear oaths.

## Scripture Associated with the Text and Message

### Five Times Revelation Describes the Second Coming

**Revelation 6:12** When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood, 13 and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. 14 The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. 15 Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?”

**Revelation 11:15** Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.” 16 And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, 17 saying,

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,  
    who is and who was,  
for you have taken your great power  
    and begun to reign.  
18 The nations raged,  
    but your wrath came,  
    and the time for the dead to be judged,  
and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints,  
    and those who fear your name,  
    both small and great,  
and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.”

19 Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

**Revelation 14:14** Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and seated on the cloud one like a son of man, with a golden crown on his head, and a sharp sickle in his hand. 15 And another angel came out of the temple, calling with a loud voice to him who sat on the cloud, “Put in your sickle, and reap, for the hour to reap has come, for the

harvest of the earth is fully ripe.” 16 So he who sat on the cloud swung his sickle across the earth, and the earth was reaped.

17 Then another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. 18 And another angel came out from the altar, the angel who has authority over the fire, and he called with a loud voice to the one who had the sharp sickle, “Put in your sickle and gather the clusters from the vine of the earth, for its grapes are ripe.” 19 So the angel swung his sickle across the earth and gathered the grape harvest of the earth and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. 20 And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood flowed from the winepress, as high as a horse's bridle, for 1,600 stadia.

**Revelation 16:17** The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” 18 And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. 19 The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. 20 And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found. 21 And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.

**Revelation 19:11** Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. 12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. 13 He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. 14 And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. 15 From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. 16 On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, “Come, gather for the great supper of God, 18 to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great.” 19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. 20 And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by

which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. 21 And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

**Satan is a cheap imitator of Jesus – many of the elements in the description of Jesus in Revelation 19:11-21 have already been poorly imitated by Satan (though well enough to deceive many). See notes on Revelation 13:1-18:**

<https://www.graceccnc.org/sermon-study/post/revelation-13:1-8>

### **Jesus is the Conqueror in Revelation 19:11-21**

**Revelation 1:7** Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

**Revelation 1:14** The hairs of his (Jesus') head were white, like white wool, like snow. **His eyes were like a flame of fire.**

**Revelation 1:16** In his right hand he held seven stars, **from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword**, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

**Revelation 2:18** And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: **“The words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze.”**

**Revelation 14:14** Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and **seated on the cloud one like a son of man, with a golden crown on his head, and a sharp sickle in his hand.**

**Daniel 7:13** I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven  
there came one like a son of man,  
and he came to the Ancient of Days  
and was presented before him.

14 And to him was given dominion  
and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages

should serve him;  
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one  
that shall not be destroyed.

**Isaiah 11:4** . . . but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
and **he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,**  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

**Matthew 26:64 – Jesus to Pilate:** Jesus said to him, “You have said so. But I tell you, from now on **you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.**”

### **The Blood on Jesus’ Garments Represents the Blood of His Enemies**

**Isaiah 63:1** Who is this who comes from Edom,  
in crimsoned garments from Bozrah,  
he who is splendid in his apparel,  
marching in the greatness of his strength?  
“It is I, speaking in righteousness,  
mighty to save.”

2 Why is your apparel red,  
and your garments like his who treads in the winepress?

3 “I have trodden the winepress alone,  
and from the peoples no one was with me;

**I trod them in my anger  
and trampled them in my wrath;  
their lifeblood spattered on my garments,  
and stained all my apparel.**

4 For the day of vengeance was in my heart,  
and my year of redemption had come.

5 I looked, but there was no one to help;  
I was appalled, but there was no one to uphold;  
so my own arm brought me salvation,  
and my wrath upheld me.

**6 I trampled down the peoples in my anger;  
I made them drunk in my wrath,  
and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth.”**

**Psalm 2:9** You shall break them with a rod of iron  
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.”

**Revelation 19:7** Let us rejoice and exult  
and give him the glory,  
for the marriage of the Lamb has come,  
and his Bride has made herself ready;  
**8 it was granted her to clothe herself  
with fine linen, bright and pure—**  
for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

**Revelation 19:14** And the armies of heaven, **arrayed in fine linen, white and pure,**  
were following him on white horses.

Ephesians 6:17 . . . take the helmet of salvation, and **the sword of the Spirit,** which is  
**the word of God.**

**Ezekiel 39:17** “As for you, son of man,” thus says the Lord God: “Speak to the birds  
of every sort and to all beasts of the field: ‘Assemble and come, gather from all  
around to the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you, a great sacrificial feast on  
the mountains of Israel, and you shall eat flesh and drink blood. 18 You shall eat the  
flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth—of rams, of lambs,  
and of he-goats, of bulls, all of them fat beasts of Bashan. 19 And you shall eat fat till  
you are filled, and drink blood till you are drunk, at the sacrificial feast that I am  
preparing for you. 20 And you shall be filled at my table with horses and charioteers,  
with mighty men and all kinds of warriors,’” declares the Lord God.

**Revelation 16:12** The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates,  
and its water was dried up, to prepare the way for the kings from the east. 13 And I  
saw, coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out  
of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs. 14 For they are  
demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to  
assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty. 15 (“Behold, I am  
coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that  
he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!”) **16 And they assembled them at  
the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.**

**Hebrews 4:12** For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. 13 And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

14 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**Romans 5:1** Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only that, but **we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5** and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

**1 John 3:1** See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but **we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.**

**1 Thessalonians 5:1** Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves are fully aware that **the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.** 3 While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. 4 **But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief.** 5 For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness.

**Isaiah 53:6** All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned—every one—to his own way;  
and the Lord has laid on him (the Servant of the Lord – Jesus)  
the iniquity of us all.

**John 15:12** “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. 16 **You did not choose me, but I chose you** and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. 17 These things I command you, so that you will love one another.