

Revelation 19:12-21

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Jesus Returns as Conquering Lord

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- i. Please keep praying for America, for Global Revival, for Pastor Mike and Calvary San Jose, for the release of all hostages, & for the Peace of Jerusalem (2 Chron. 7:14)
- ii. Volunteers needed for the Ministry Fair, Sunday, Feb 23. Volunteers needed from 10:30-11:00 AM and from 12:30-1:00 PM

 If interested, please contact Randy at either (408) 593-1200 or randyduke@protonmail.com
- iii. <u>Understanding The Times:</u> "Peace, Peace, When there is no Peace". Today at 1:00PM on 88.1 FM or at OliveTreeViews: https://bit.ly/31WMM0s **YouTube:** https://tinyurl.com/ut638t3y
- iv. Agenda Weekly: "Trump's 1st 3 weeks; Marxist Strategies; Ivermectin" https://tinyurl.com/5y5dyuxw
- v. Amir Tsarfati's Weekly Newsletter: https://tinyurl.com/4bnbd5bk
- vi. Three more Hostages Released: https://tinyurl.com/3ze467ch
- vii. 'It Changed Something In Me' Trump admits (But he still needs Jesus): https://tinyurl.com/39sfbtz8
- viii. 'Trump is Israel's Greatest Friend' Netanyahu: https://tinyurl.com/djw2xer6
- ix. A Collection of Answers to last week's question regarding Recurring Sin: https://tinyurl.com/yeym9dya
 - a. Even Google acknowledge the struggle (recurring sin questions ranked as #2 & #7)
 - b. DuckDuckGo had NO reference to 'sin', but did reference a specific sin of 'Lust'
 - c. GotQuestions video regarding habitual sin: https://tinyurl.com/3wt6kr8y

II. Revelation Chapter 19:12-21 ... Jesus returns as Conquering Lord

- i. Jesus returns to a hostile earth (Verses 12-16)
 - a. "On His head were many crowns": Jesus wears many crowns. The ancient Greek word used for crowns here is the diadema, the crown of royalty and authority, not the stephanos, the crown of achievement.
 - b. The fact that there are "many crowns" means that Jesus is the ultimate in royal authority and power. It is a visible manifestation of what we mean when we say King of Kings. It is an expression of unlimited sovereignty.
 - c. "He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood": Bible students debate whether this is His own blood (reminding us of the cross) or the blood of His enemies. Either is possible, & Scripture doesn't give a hard answer.
 - d. "The armies in heaven": These are God's people (Rev 17:14, Jude 1:14-15). Angels will also accompany Jesus & His people, but the main idea is that the Son of God leads the people of God from heaven against earth.
 - e. **Notice there is no mention of any kind of armor or weapon for any soldier in the great army that follows Jesus.** The only armor or weapon we evidently have is the only one we need: "clothed in fine linen, white and clean".
 - f. "Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword": This is a dramatic way of referring to the power of His Word. "Christ conquers by the power of His Word" (Johnson). Five times in the Book Revelation, John emphasizes that Jesus' sword comes out of His mouth.
 - g. "And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron": Jesus comes to rule and to reign in triumph, to rule the nations with a rod of iron as predicted in Psalm 2. He comes as King of Kings to displace every other king.
- ii. Invitation to the Great Supper (Verses 17-18)
 - a. "An angel standing in the sun": This shows how bright this angel's appearance shines with the glory of God. The angel can be seen, even though it stands before the sun. "The angel is standing in the light of the sun with the angel himself possibly shining with even greater brilliance." (Walvoord: 'The Rapture Question')
 - b. "The flesh of kings, the flesh of captains": The repetition of flesh (5 times) is revealing. It shows that men of <u>all stations</u> are judged. The high and the low together, if they remain hardened in their rejection of Jesus, will be judged. "The divine judgment upon the wicked is no respecter of persons or station, and is the great equalizer of all." (Walvoord)
 - c. "Gather together for the supper of the great God": Newell's Revelation commentary points to 4 different suppers in the Bible.

 √ The supper of salvation; The Lord's supper; The marriage supper of the Lamb; The supper of the great God.
 - d. If you reject the 1st supper, the 2rd supper will mean nothing to you. Then you will not be present at the 3rd supper, but <u>will</u> be present at the 4th supper. <u>Everyone will attend at least one of these suppers; some will eat, others are eaten!</u>
- iii. War & The Victory of Jesus Christ (Verses 19-21)
 - a. "Armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the throne": "This is the incurable insanity of sin, which wars away in spite of defeat after defeat, against a holy God." (Revelation: Chapter-by-Chapter by William Newall)
 - b. **"To make war"**: John wrote no description about a battle. This is an entirely one-sided affair, more of a simple act of judgment than a prolonged battle or war. **"The battle of Armageddon is the laughter of God against the climax of man's arrogance."** (Barnhouse's Commentary)
 - c. "Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet": The beast & false prophet receive special treatment. They're cast alive into the lake of fire before the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev 20:11-15).



d. The lake of fire is what we normally consider hell. It is real, and there is nothing more important than avoiding it.