Brentwood Bible Fellowship Reading thru the New Testament 2017

Week 50 Revelation 8 - 12

Key Verses:

Then the seventh angel sounded; 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 will reign forever and ever."

And the twenty-four elders, who sit on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God,

saying, "We give You thanks, O Lord God, the Almighty, who are and who were, because You have taken Your great power and have begun to reign."

Revelation 11:15-17

NAS Version

December 11 - 17

Monday Revelation 8 – The Seventh Seal – The First Four Trumpets

Tuesday Revelation 9 – The Fifth and Sixth Trumpets

Wednesday Revelation 10 – The Strong Angel and the Little Book

Thursday Revelation 11 – The Two Witnesses and the Seventh Trumpet

Friday Revelation 12 - Israel, Satan, Christ, and War in Heaven

Saturday - Review

Sunday - Review

Questions and comments concerning the daily readings

Revelation 8-12 Week Fifty

Revelation 8

- 1. Revelation 8:1-2 Silence in heaven! Until this point it has been loud with praise from the angels, elders and martyred saints. The beginning of the seven trumpet judgements.
- 2. Revelation 8:3-5 Notice that the prayers of the saints rise up before God. The seven trumpets are preceded on the earth by thunder, lightning and an earthquake.
- 3. Revelation 8:6-7 List the devastation of the First Trumpet judgement.
- 4. Revelation 8:8-9 List the devastation of the Second Trumpet judgement.
- 5. Revelation 8:10-11 List the devastation of the Third Trumpet Judgement.
- 6. Revelation 8:12 Name the devastation of the Fourth Trumpet judgement.
- 7. Revelation 8:13 If the proceeding judgments were not difficult enough, we are told that the next three will be devastating. Three woes!

Revelation 9

1. Revelation 9:1-12 The Fifth Trumpet, the First Woe!

What was the role of the locust like beasts who came out of the pit? What were they commanded not to do? What were they commanded to do? Who were they given permission to hurt?

Explain the meaning of verse 6.

Describe the looks of the locust like beings. How did they inflict pain? How long will they inflict humans who are still on the earth?

Notice, they have a king over them. His name is Abaddon, or destruction.

The locust like beings would be terrifying in any Science Fiction movie. Yet in Revelation, they are not fiction, they will be real.

Judgement on the earth will be terrible and terrifying during the seven years of tribulation.

2. Revelation 9:13-19 The Sixth Trumpet, The Second Woe!

What were the roles of the four angels who were released according to verse 15? Notice, they had been prepared and held for this very hour. God is sovereign, He is in control of all things.

Describe the looks of the two hundred million horsemen. Describe their horses.

Where is the power of the horses to be found? How many of the people of the world will die from the second woe?

3. Revelation 9:20-21 Explain what typified the humanity which was left on the earth following the sixth trumpet.

Whew! The sixth trumpet judgment, the second woe has come to an end.

Revelation 10

1. Revelation 10:1-7 We come to a parenthesis between the sixth and seventh trumpets. This would be about mid-way through the tribulation. Three and a half years, or what is known as the great tribulation are yet to remain.

Notice the angel. This is not one of the angels mentioned earlier. Describe what you know concerning this angel.

Verse 6 – Who is the angel addressing in this verse? What is the message at the end of verse 6?

2. Revelation 10:8-11 The little book which John was to take represents the Word of God. The blessing, the promises of God, are sweet to John's mouth, but the Word of God also has a bitter side. There are passages which deal with difficulty, persecution and divine judgement. Though there may be bitterness at times in our lives, the ultimate glory of God will be the final portion for all of those who trust in God.

Revelation 11

1. Revelation 11:1-6 The temple will be measured, most likely finding it lacking before God. The gentiles and the anti-Christ will control the City of Jerusalem for 42 months or for a time of three and a half years, the time of the last half of the tribulation, also known as the Great Tribulation.

Two witnesses raised up by God will witness for God in Jerusalem. They cannot be slain, they are protected by God. Anyone who tries to kill them will be killed by the fire that will burst out of their mouths. What great powers will God give to these two witnesses? Some believe the two witnesses are Elijah and Moses. But our passage does not identify them.

- 2. Revelation 11:7-10 At God's appointed time, the beast, the anti-Christ, will kill the two witness. Their bodies will lay in the streets of Jerusalem for three and a half days. The people living on the earth will celebrate their death. In celebration, the inhabitants of the earth will send gifts to one another. (Sounds like Christmas.)
- 3. Revelation 11:11-13 After three and a half days the two witnesses will come back to life and be whisked away by God to heaven. All of their enemies watched this in amazement. With the internet and television, this event will probably be seen around the globe.

Explain how the inhabitants of the earth responded in verse 13.

- 4. Revelation 11:14 The announcement of the coming of the third woe!
- 5. Revelation 11:15-19 The Reign of Christ on earth is foreseen in heaven. What will be the response in heaven when it is announced that the Kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord?

Explain what will take place according to verse 18.

Verse 19 is powerful!!!

Revelation 12

- 1. Revelation 12:1-2 The woman in this passage would appear to represent the nation of Israel.
- 2. Revelation 12:3-4 The Red Dragon represents Satan. The ten horns most likely represent the primary nations within the Roman Empire in the tribulation period.

- 3. Revelation 12:5-6 The child, which the devil desired to devour, who would ultimately rule the nations and was caught up to heaven, represents Christ. The devil, the serpent, was waiting to devour or destroy Christ.
 - The nation of Israel fled into the wilderness to a place God had prepared for them where they will be safe for the last three and a half years of the tribulation.
- 4. Revelation 12:7-9 A war was waged in heaven, and Michael and the army of angels of God defeated Satan, the serpent of old (Relating back to the serpent in the Garden of Eden). Satan and his troops of fallen angels were cast out of heaven.
- 5. Revelation 12:10-11 What was Satan doing in heaven before he was cast down? Why were the brethren on the earth able to be overcomers? (Verse 11)
- 6. Revelation 12:12 Why should the heavens rejoice? Why should the earth be concerned? According to this passage, does Satan understand that His time is short?
- 7. Revelation 12:13-17 Explain the conflict between the woman (Israel) and the serpent (Satan). Notice how God protected the nation of Israel for the last three and a half years of the tribulation. What did Satan do when his effort to destroy the woman were thwarted?