

✠ UNSHEATHING THE SWORD ✠



REVELATION

Bible study is to lead you into the Bible itself. Many of us feel we are incapable of understanding God's Word and consequently we avoid Bible study entirely. God's Word has depth of meaning that we can study for a lifetime without fully comprehending. However, whether we are wading into the water's edge or diving deeply into the ocean, our time spent in the Word always brings blessings and discovery. May the Holy Spirit be your guide as you study God's Word and learn of His plan for you.

- Questions follow the order of the text. The exception is for questions which cover more than one verse.
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- Extra credit questions are exactly that. They require more time, thought, and opinion than other questions. These questions are for those who would like to dig deeper.
- It is best if you are in the Word on a daily basis. It is more beneficial to read one chapter every day than to cram several chapters into one day to "catch up".
- As you do your reading, ask yourself three questions. These questions will help you apply God's Word to your life.
 1. What does it say?
 2. What did it mean?
 3. What does it mean to me today?

First, read carefully what the words say. There are many people today who make assumptions about what is in the Bible. Let this study help you know what the Word actually says.

Second, think about the impact of the words you are reading on those who first heard them. For example, when you read of Jesus teaching

in parables, think about the impact on those who heard His teaching – the religious hierarchy, the lonely, the faithful.

Third, think about how your reading can make a difference to you in your life today. When the Word of God speaks to the hopeless or the arrogant, hear His voice speaking those words to you.

- Pray. Before you begin your study say a prayer that the Holy Spirit will make these words reach your heart. Also, make sure that your devotion time includes prayer time. The Almighty God who made you and saved you wants to spend time with you in prayer. Here is a short example: “Lord, please speak to me through Your Word today. Help me grow in my faith so that I become the person You want me to be.”

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MEMORIZATION – Revelation 5:12 – “Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

Chapter 1

1. What servant of Jesus testifies to everything he saw in the book of Revelation?

2. This letter is sent: a) to how many churches?

b) in what province?

3. Jesus Christ is the faithful _____, the _____ from the _____, and the _____ of the _____ of the _____.

4. “Look, He is coming _____, and _____ will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and _____ of the earth will mourn because of Him.”

Extra credit: Read Daniel 7:13-14.

5. “I am the _____ and the _____,” says the Lord God, “who _____, and who _____, and who _____, the Almighty.”

Extra credit: Jump ahead. Read Revelation 21:6.

Extra credit: What are alpha and omega?

6. Where was John when he was given this revelation?

7. List the seven churches.

Extra credit: Find the seven churches on a map.

8. Who is among the lampstands?

9. Match.

_____ head and hair

_____ eyes

_____ feet

_____ voice

_____ mouth

_____ face

a) sound of rushing waters

b) sharp double-edged sword

c) glowing hot bronze

d) blazing fire

e) as white as snow

f) brilliant sun

10. He holds what keys?

11. "Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is _____ and what will take place _____."

12. What are the seven stars?

13. What are the seven lampstands?

Chapter 2

1. What right will be given to "him who overcomes?"

2. To the church in Smyrna: "Be faithful, even to the point of _____, and I will give you the _____."

3. Where does Satan have his throne?

4. It's still an issue for early believers! (Circle all that are mentioned here.)

a) eating food sacrificed to idols

b) sexual immorality

c) baptism

Extra credit: Read the quote in verse 27 in its context – read Psalm 2.

Chapter 3

1. Which church is neither hot nor cold?
2. Write out verse 20.
3. Who is speaking the words of chapters two and three?

Chapter 4

1. John is in the Spirit and sees (circle all that apply):
 - a) someone sitting on a throne in heaven
 - b) 24 elders surrounding the throne
 - c) four living creatures around the throne

Extra credit: We've heard these words before. Read Isaiah 6:1-8.

2. Read verse 11 out loud as a prayer of praise.

Chapter 5

1. Why does John weep and weep?
2. "Do not weep! See the _____ of the tribe of _____, the root of _____, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."
3. Who takes the scroll from the right hand of Him who sits on the throne? "a _____, looking as if it had been _____..."
4. What are the golden bowls full of incense?
5. With what were men purchased for God?

6. The Lamb purchased men (circle one):
- a) only from the tribe of Judah
 - b) only from the 12 tribes of Israel
 - c) from every tribe and language and people and nation

7. Who loudly sing the words of verse 12?

8. Who sing the words of verse 13?

Chapter 6

1. Who opens the seals?

2. Match. (Covers more than two chapters.)

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| _____ 1 st seal | a) black horse and rider/scales |
| _____ 2 nd seal | b) pale horse and rider (Death)/Hades |
| _____ 3 rd seal | c) the souls of martyrs under the altar |
| _____ 4 th seal | d) red horse and rider/sword |
| _____ 5 th seal | e) white horse and rider/crown |
| _____ 6 th seal | f) silence in heaven |
| _____ 7 th seal | g) earthquake, black sun, red moon, falling stars, receding sky, mountains and islands gone |

Chapter 7

1. What does the fifth angel want to do?

2. How many are sealed?

3. What nationality are those who are sealed?

Difficult extra credit: Spend some time looking at the tribal names listed. Do the 12 tribes listed match the sons of Jacob? Do they match the divisions of the conquered land after the exodus?

4. True or false: The great multitude before the throne is from every nation, every tribe, every people and every language.

5. a) The multitude are wearing white robes and holding palm branches and what are they crying out in a loud voice? (Write it out word for word.)

b) Read your written answer out loud as praise.

6. The angels worship God saying, "Amen! _____ and _____ and _____ and _____ and _____ and _____ and _____ be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

7. Who are the great multitude in white robes?

8. Slowly read the beautiful words of verses 14-17. What image is your favorite?

Chapter 8

1. What happens when the seventh seal is opened?
2. What are given to the seven angels who stand before God?
3. What two things does the angel with the golden censer offer at the golden altar before the throne?
4. What goes from the altar to the earth?
5. Ongoing throughout chapters 8-11. Match.

_____ 1 st trumpet sound	a) "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ."
_____ 2 nd trumpet sound	b) four angels at Euphrates released to kill
_____ 3 rd trumpet sound	c) fallen star releases locusts from Abyss
_____ 4 th trumpet sound	d) 1/3 of stars, sun and moon struck
_____ 5 th trumpet sound	e) blazing star falls from sky
_____ 6 th trumpet sound	f) huge blazing mountain into sea
_____ 7 th trumpet sound	g) hail and fire mixed with blood upon the earth

Chapter 9

1. For how long do the locusts have power to torture those without the seal of God on their foreheads?
2. Who is king over the locusts?
3. The locusts are the (circle one):
 - a) first and only woe
 - b) first of three woes
 - c) third of seven woes

4. True or false: After the massive death toll of the sixth trumpet the survivors repent of the work of their hands.

Chapter 10

1. Who holds the little scroll?

Trick question: What do the seven thunders say?

2. What will be accomplished in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet?

3. John eats the little scroll. Match.

_____ mouth	a) sweet
_____ stomach	b) sour

Chapter 11

1. Who will trample on the holy city for 42 months?

Extra credit: About how many days are equal to 42 months?

2. Who prophesy for 1,260 days wearing sackcloth?

3. The two witnesses have the power to (circle all that apply):

- a) devour their enemies with fire from their mouths
- b) shut up the sky so it will not rain
- c) turn the waters into blood
- d) strike the earth with every kind of plague

4. Who will kill the witnesses?

5. Their bodies will lie in the street of what great city/country?

a) the two figurative names:

b) the “real” name:

6. True or false: Men from every people, tribe, language and nation will mourn them deeply and bury them.

7. What happens at the end of the second woe (circle one)?

- a) judgment by fire
- b) flood
- c) severe earthquake

Chapter 12

1. Which is it, the woman (a), or the dragon (b)? Answer "a" or "b."

- _____ clothed with sun with the moon under feet
- _____ crown of 12 stars
- _____ pregnant
- _____ seven heads, ten horns and seven crowns

2. What happens to the woman (circle all that apply)?

- a) gives birth to a son who will rule all the nations
- b) flees into the desert
- c) is killed before giving birth

3. What happens to the son?

Extra credit: We've heard the number 1,260 before. Where?

4. a) Where was there war?

b) Who fought against whom?

5. What happened to the dragon?

6. Who is the dragon?

7. By what was the accuser overcome?

8. Whom does the dragon pursue on the earth?
9. The woman would be taken care of for how long?
10. Who are the rest of the woman's offspring against whom the dragon makes war?

Chapter 13

1. What comes out of the sea?
2. What does the dragon give the beast (circle all that apply)?
 - a) his power
 - b) his throne
 - c) great authority
3. What is the beast's "scar?"
4. True or false: Men worshiped the dragon.
5. True or false: Men worshiped the beast.
6. For how long does the beast exercise his authority?

Repeat extra credit: About how many days are equal to 42 months?

Extra extra credit: What also will happen for 1,260 days?

7. True or false: The beast was given power to conquer the saints.
8. True or false: The beast was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation.

9. A second beast (circle all that apply):
- a) comes out of the river
 - b) has two horns like a lamb
 - c) speaks like a dragon
 - d) exercises authority of first beast
 - e) performs miraculous signs (like fire from heaven)
 - f) deceives inhabitants of the earth

10. What does this beast force everyone to receive?

11. This can be on (circle all that apply):
- a) the right hand
 - b) the forehead
 - c) the cheek

12. Without this what are people unable to do?

13. What is it (circle all that apply)?
- a) the name of the beast
 - b) an upside down cross
 - c) the number of his name

14. What is the number of the beast?

Chapter 14

1. Where is the Lamb standing?

Extra credit: Where is Mount Zion?

2. Whose name do the 144,000 have written on their foreheads?

Extra credit: Where else have we heard of 144,000 being sealed?

3. Who are the 144,000 here?

4. To whom is the angel proclaiming the eternal gospel?
5. Of whom/what does a second angel proclaim a fall?
6. The third angel warns against what?
7. Who is seated on the white cloud?

Extra credit: Can you give at least one Scripture reference for another time the term “son of man” is used?

8. Who wields a sickle and harvests the earth?
9. Who wields a sickle and gathers clusters of grapes from the earth’s vine?
10. What happens to the grapes?
11. What flows out of the winepress?

Chapter 15

1. The seven angels at the beginning of chapter 15 have (circle one):
 - a) the seven first plagues
 - b) the seven last plagues
 - c) the one last plague
2. Who stand beside the sea?
3. With what are the seven golden bowls filled?

Chapter 16

1. Match. (Found in chapter 16.)

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| _____ 1 st bowl | a) greatest earthquake of mankind's time and |
| _____ 2 nd bowl | 100 pound hail |
| _____ 3 rd bowl | b) Euphrates dries up |
| _____ 4 th bowl | c) beast's kingdom plunged into darkness |
| _____ 5 th bowl | d) sun scorches people with fire |
| _____ 6 th bowl | e) river and springs turn to blood |
| _____ 7 th bowl | f) sea turns to blood and sea life dies |
| | g) ugly painful sores on beast's people |

2. The angel in charge of the waters says, "You are _____ in these judgments..."

3. True or false: As a result of the fourth bowl many repent and glorify God.

4. True or false: As a result of the fifth bowl many repent of what they have done.

5. What come out of the mouths of the dragon, the beast and the false prophet?

6. "Behold, I come like a _____!"

7. Where are the kings gathered together?

Extra credit: This New Testament name means "the mountain of Megiddo." Can you name the Old Testament king who died at Megiddo?

8. Is it good news or bad news for Babylon the Great?

Chapter 17

1. Where is John taken "in the Spirit" to see the great prostitute?

Extra credit: When before have we seen a beast with seven heads and ten horns?

2. What title is written on the prostitute's forehead?

3. "The beast, which you saw, _____, now _____, and will come up out of the _____ and go _____."

4. What are the seven heads?

5. How many of the seven kings have fallen?

6. What are the ten horns?

7. Against whom will the kings and beast make war?

8. Who wins?

9. What are the waters?

10. Who bring the prostitute to ruin?

11. What is the woman?

Chapter 18

1. "...another voice from heaven" calls the people of God out of the city and says that her sins are piled up _____.

2. a) How long will it take for plagues to overtake her: death, mourning and famine?

- b) The kings of the earth say it takes how long for her doom to come?
- c) The merchants say it takes how long for her wealth to be brought to ruin?
- d) The sea captains and travelers say it takes how long for her to be brought to ruin?

3. It is total and lasting destruction. Carefully read the sins that lead to judgment in verses 23-24. "By your magic spell all the nations _____

 _____ of the _____, _____ of _____
 _____ on the earth."

Chapter 19

1. It is loud, shouting worship of God by a great multitude in heaven including the 24 elders and four living creatures. Read the words of verses six to eight out loud.

2. For what does the fine linen stand?

3. What words does the angel tell John quite specifically to write down?

Extra credit: This isn't the first time Jesus is called the bridegroom. Read the comments of John the Baptist in John 3:22-30.

4. True or false: The angel allows John to worship him.

5. The rider of the white horse – and names (circle all that apply):

- a) He is called Faithful and True
- b) He has a secret name only He Himself knows
- c) His name is the Word of God
- d) The name written on His robe and thigh is "KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS."

6. "With _____ He judges and makes war."

7. Match.

_____ rider of white horse
_____ armies of heaven

- a) fine linen white and clean
- b) robe dipped in blood

Extra credit: Tie John's heavenly vision to history. Prayerfully read of the Word of God in John 1:1-18.

Extra credit: "He will rule them with an iron scepter." Read Psalm 2 from the viewpoint of this apocryphal battle.

Extra credit: This is the name of our Lord and God used through the ages.

- a) Read the words of Moses to the Israelites in Deuteronomy 10:12-22.
- b) Read Psalm 136.
- c) Read of Daniel and King Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel 2:44-47.
- d) Read Paul's words to Pastor Timothy - 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Extra credit: It's gruesome and we've heard similar words before. Read Ezekiel 39:17-20.

8. Does this battle sound familiar? Reread Revelation 17:12-14.

Chapter 20

1. An angel comes down out of heaven.

- a) Whom does the angel bind?
- b) Where does the angel throw, lock and seal him?
- c) What does this keep him from doing?
- d) Will he ever be set free?

2. Who reign with Christ 1,000 years?

3. What will Satan do when he is released?

Long extra credit: Check out the only other mentions of Gog or Magog:

- a) Genesis 10:2
- b) 1 Chronicles 1:5
- c) 1 Chronicles 5:4
- d) Ezekiel chapters 38-39

4. What defeats Satan and his army?

5. What is the “second death?”

6. Who is not thrown into the lake of fire?

Chapter 21

1. It is a _____ heaven and a _____ earth.

2. What comes down out of heaven from God?

3. “He who was seated on the throne said, ‘ _____
_____’”.

4. “He said to me: ‘It is done. I am the _____ and the _____, the
_____ and the _____. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink
without cost from the spring of the _____.’”

5. Who is the groom?

6. Who/what is the bride?

7. a) Is there a temple in the city?

b) Why/why not?

8. What gives the city its light (circle all that apply):

- a) sun
- b) moon
- c) glory of God
- d) the Lamb

9. Who get to enter the city?

Chapter 22

1. From where does the river of the water of life flow?

2. What tree stands on each side of the river?

Extra credit: “No longer will there be any curse.” Refresh your memory regarding the curse that set this story of redemption into motion. Read Genesis chapter three.

Extra credit: God’s servants will see His face! What a change! Read Exodus 33:12-23.

3. The time is near and the vision ends as it began. “I am the _____ and the _____, the _____ and the _____, the _____ and the _____.” Reread Revelation 1:7-8.

4. “Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the _____ of the _____ of _____.”

5. Jesus says, “Yes, I am coming soon.” And we say, “_____. _____, _____.” Close your eyes and whisper these words as a prayer.