

Revelation 15-16

Bible Study

1. Write down any questions or insights you have from your reading and preparation for the Bible study.
2. What is significant about the seven plagues in verse 15:1?
3. Who is it that John sees in verse 15:2-4 and what are they doing and why are they doing it?
See also, Exodus 15:1-21; Revelation 14:1-5.
4. What is “the sanctuary of the tent of witness in heaven” which is opened in verse 15:5-6?
See also, Exodus 25:21; Numbers 1:50-53; Matthew 27:51; Revelation 11:19.
5. What are the seven angels given in verses 15:5-7?

6. What is the status of the sanctuary after the seven angels receive their bowls of the wrath of God and why do you think this is the case in verse 15:8?
See also, Exodus 40:34-35; 1 Kings 8:10-11.

7. Who is it that commands the seven angels in verse 16:1?

8. What is different about the seven bowls when we compare them to the seven seals and trumpets?
Verses 16:2-21. See also, Revelation 6, 8:1-6; Revelation 8:7-9:20, 11:15-19.

Bowls Revelation 16:2-21	Seals Revelation 6, 8:1-6	Trumpets Revelation 8:7-9:20, 11:15-19

9. Why do you think that the third angel stops and says what he says in verses 16:5-6? Also, interesting is verse 16:5 and what is left off of the “who is and who was” phrase we normally repeat and have seen spoken elsewhere in Scripture (note, some translations – particularly KJV – add “who is to be,” but evidence shows that was added by the King James translators and is not found in the original texts). Why do you think it wasn’t added like normally has been in Scripture?
10. Who speaks in verse 16:7 and why might this be of significance?
See also, Revelation 6:9, 8:3-5.
11. What is the world’s reaction to bowls of the wrath of God, one through five?
Revelation 16:12-16.
12. How speaks in verse 16:15 and what do you suppose the “garments” are symbols of?
See also, Revelation 3:18.

13. Who speaks in verse 16:17 and what other event does it echo in Scripture?
See also, John 19:30.

14. What is missing in from the chronology of the seven bowls that we found in the seven seals and seven trumpets?