

## The Revelation of Jesus Christ

John was told to write the things which he had seen, the things which are and the things which would take place after these things. This final study brings us to the end of the scriptures and the second and final part of the book of Revelation. Chapters 12-22 lead us into some of the most thrilling text in the entire Bible, giving us a glimpse into the seven bowl judgments, the Beast, and the future tribulation, but also bringing us great hope for God's Church. When these judgments are done, God's judgment is done. After the judgments comes the binding of Satan, the return of Jesus Christ, the millennial kingdom, the White Throne Judgment and the Eternal State.

### Say it! Play it! Pray it!

<b>Objectives:</b>	Play out the Story of Jesus' second Coming, the binding of Satan, and the White Throne judgment. Have fun with your family. Gain insight into the end times.
<b>Number of Players:</b>	3 - 6 or more -- narrator/John, 2 Angels, Jesus, Believers, the dead, Satan (you can double people up on roles if you don't have enough players).
<b>Length:</b>	30 minutes - 1 hour
<b>Set up:</b>	You can get as elaborate as you like. Have John (the narrator) stand up and speak to the believers. As the Narrator is reading, the separate characters should act out what is being said and dramatize how these events make them feel.

**Narrator/John:** I've told you so many things that I know are hard to believe about Israel, and the judgments to be poured out on the earth. Now, I want to tell you what happens after these things--it is the culmination of all our hopes--the return of Jesus Christ! I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying,

**Angel:** ALLELUIA! SALVATION AND GLORY AND HONOR AND POWER BELONG TO THE LORD OUR GOD!

**Narrator/John:** Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.

Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven,



# FAMILY STUDY

**Angel:** Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great.

**Narrator/John:** Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the Word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

Blessed and holy is he who has part of the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

*(have God sit on a chair/throne facing the dead. He can point his finger at the dead and at the believers as John is narrating. The angels should stand by listening and then throw the dead into the lake of fire when John gets to that point)*

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying,

**Angel:** Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.

**Jesus:** Behold, I make all things new! These words are true and faithful. Write them down. Behold, I am coming quickly! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.

**Narrator/John:** Even so, come, Lord Jesus! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

**Discussion:** Have each person share how it felt to them to play the role they did and what insights they gained about the people they played, God's character and their own life. Questions to consider: What is the first resurrection? What did Jesus mean by, "Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book?" Do you believe that these things will truly happen? Why or why not?

**Prayer:** Close in prayer thanking God for His provision and for all that you have learned and the fun you had with your family.