

REVELATION 16: THE GLORY AND THE POWER OF THE HOLY PLACES

Introduction:

In the previous Chapter we looked at the Song of Moses and the Song of the Lamb, praise. In this Chapter we shall begin with his prayer. This is the Alpha & Omega of Hosanna from **Matthew 21**.

Psa 90:1 A Prayer of Moses the man of God. Lord, **thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.**

Psa 90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God.

Psa 90:3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

Psa 90:4 For a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

Psa 90:5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are *as* a sleep: in the morning *they are* like grass *which* groweth up.

Psa 90:6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

Psa 90:7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

Psa 90:8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret *sins* in the light of thy countenance.

Psa 90:9 For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale *that is told*.

Psa 90:10 The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years, yet *is* their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

Psa 90:11 **Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.**

Psa 90:12 So teach *us* to number our days, that we may apply *our* hearts unto wisdom.

Psa 90:13 Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.

Psa 90:14 O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Psa 90:15 Make us glad according to the days *wherein* thou hast afflicted us, *and* the years *wherein* we have seen evil.

Psa 90:16 **Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.**

Psa 90:17 And **let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us:** and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

Remember, the Firmament of Day 2 of Creation speaks to the nature of God: God is a Spirit, Lofty, as High as the Heavens are above the earth so are as His ways and thoughts are higher than ours, **Isaiah 55: 9**. Remember, also, thy way is in the Sanctuary, who is so Great God as our God, **Psalm 77: 13**. Remember, from previous Chapters of Revelation and other books on the website the parallel was

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revealed that exists between the Firmament: the Heavens, and the Holy Places of the Temple or Sanctuary. The Holy Places in the title of this Chapter refers to the Open Firmament, 2nd and the 3rd Heavens which in Creation was used to depict the Spirit. We continue in this third set of seven Chapters to examine the glory and power of God to bring forth or generate, which was described in the previous Chapter as 'great and marvellous are Thy works. Just and true are Thy ways.'

Chapter 16 being the second Chapter in this third set equates with the Spirit on the measuring rod and given the Firmament (1st, 2nd and 3rd Heaven) is used to depict the Loftiness of God, The Spirit, and parallels the Holy Places of the Sanctuary this Chapter is entitled: the Glory and Power of the Holy Places.

The Heavens declare the glory of God and the Firmament shows His handiwork, **Psalms 19: 1**. In them has He set a Tabernacle for the sun which is as a Bridegroom that goes out of His Chambers and rejoices as a Strongman to run a race, **Psalm 19: 5**. By the action of the Heavenly Bridegroom, the Sun of Righteousness, the High Priest, the Clouds of Witnesses (Saints) are formed (in the Tabernacle of Open Firmament analogous to the Table of Shewbread in the Holy Place) and driven of the Mighty Wind, the Menorah, which is a roaring rushing wind from Heaven, thus, Thou O God art our dwelling place in all generation as depicted in these signs of nature. But these signs or symbols are worshipped by the ignorant as gods; they are only in signs of the truth and the living God.

The reality is in Christ Jesus: and he that loves me will keep my commandment and shall be loved of My Father and I will love him and we will come and make our abode with him, **John 14: 23**. Abide in me and I in Thee, **John 15: 4**. Thou, O God, has been our dwelling place in all generation! Our dwelling place is in the Holy Places of Heaven as depicted by the Clouds (of Witnesses) of the Firmament from whence we expect our Saviour to come.

God is a Spirit, and depicted by the Big Dipper Constellation, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth. 7 Ministering Spirits of the Little Dipper Constellation are given the work to pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth or the whole world that the Judgment of the Eternal Spirit is

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made manifest. Who knows the power of Thy Wrath? Even as Thy fear so is Thy wrath so teach us to number our days and apply our hearts unto wisdom.

The complete wrath of the Lord is manifest in the judgments of the 7 Last Plagues climaxing in 'the battle of Armageddon', 'a mountainous crowd of troops': His Coming. And these Plagues are directed at the men with the mark of the beast and destroying their kingdom. Only the faithful and wise servant who the Lord has appointed over His house shall the Lord come and find giving meat in due season to His House (,whose House are we if hold steadfast our faith firm unto the end): encouraging the Lord's House to watch unto prayer that they be not tempted and to keep their garments lest any should walk naked and their shame be seen.

NAME OF THE LORD: THE SECRET PLACE OF THE MOST HIGH

V1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, **Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.**

The command is now given to the 7 Angels as they are discharged by the great or exceedingly mighty voice (of the Father) from the Temple to go their ways and pour out their vials of the wrath of God upon the whole world.

He who dwells in the Secret Place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty (all powerful or omnipotent). I will say of the Lord He is my refuge and fortress! My God in Him will I trust! Surely, He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with His feathers and under His wings shall thou trust; **His truth** (law) shall be thy shield and buckler, **Psalm 91: 1-4**. Remember, Thy Law is the truth, **Psalm 119: 142**.

While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled, **John 17: 12**. Only those who have learnt to call upon the Name of the Lord will be saved, **Romans 10: 13**.

The Name of the Lord is a Strong, glorious and powerful Tower, the righteous run into and they are saved, **Proverbs 18: 10**. Only those who know how to enter and remain in this Secret Place shall abide under the protection and providence of the

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Most High. Enter thou into thy Closet or Secret Place and pray therein and the Father which sees thee in secret will reward thee openly, **Matthew 6: 6**.

Remember also the messages in **Revelation 2-3** about prayer in the meaning of the names of the 7 Churches.

V8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

From the exceedingly great voice in the Temple, the Most Holy Place, then to the Tabernacle of the Sun. The 4th Angel pours out his vial upon the sun and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. The sun shines through the 2nd and 1st Heaven unto the courtyard of the earth. The sun gives light as the Shekinah or glory of God does in the Temple.

A Song of degrees. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore, **Psalms 121**.

Remember, the sun is a symbol for the SON, the Heavenly Bridegroom, the Strongman, who at His coming in flaming fire will be taking vengeance on the unrighteous and destroying them with the brightness or light of His presence, **2 Thessalonians 1: 8**. But unto us who look to the Hills from whence comes our Help, the Sun of righteousness shall arise upon us with healing in His Wings, **Malachi 4: 2**. Saints keep your watch to the Hill (dwelling place) of the Lord!

Also, remember in **Revelation 11** when we measured the Temple, the Altar and worshippers we saw that the sun and the other nine planets paralleled the Decalogue that was place within the ark or throne of God, beneath his mercy seat. The Sun being the first bullet point in the Decalogue accords with Commandment number 1 of the Decalogue where God introduced Himself by Name, saying I am the Lord or Y'hovah, thy God that hath brought thee out of the

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land of Egypt out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other Gods before me, **Exodus 20: 3**.

Applying the substance of the plague of the 4th Angel or Messenger, scorching men with the heat of the sun, also means that those who have learnt to call upon the Name of the Lord, given the sun typifies Commandment number 1 which has embedded in it the Name of the Lord, will be able by prayer: a call on the Name of the Lord, like Elijah cause burning heat to scorch these sacrifices. Remember, also the counterfeit the false prophet causes fire to come down from heaven in the midst of men.

Because thy Law is truth, and the truth is their shield and buckler, this book of the Law does not depart out of their mouths; but in it they meditate day and night as a dwelling and secret place; that they may observe to do all that is written therein. And so they prosper and have good success, **Joshua 1: 8**. The Word of the Lord was precept upon precept unto to them. Line upon line here a little there a little they learnt and they understood the precepts as they meditate in it day and night. They understood that His words are Spirit and they are life and they were able to turn the tide of evil as the Strongman of Israel.

V15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

The hour or moment of the coming of a 'Thief' is not known even so is the Coming of the Son of Man. The wisest counsel, therefore, is that we 'keep watch' and pray that we enter not into temptation, **Matthew 26: 41**, and keep our garments lest we walk naked and they see our shame. Daniel and his friends prayed three times a day, morning, noon and evening, towards the Temple in Jerusalem. Let us commit to the same to remain vigilant, prepared and ready praying towards the Hill of the Lord. The Name of the Lord is a Strong, powerful and glorious, Tower, the righteous run into and they are saved. As Daniel blessed the Name of the Lord, because He being a shield also is a Lifter of his head even so will our heads be lifted and we shall loudly proclaim: this is our God we have long waited for Him and He will save us!

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THE PLACE CALLED ARMAGEDDON (AND THE MOST HIGH'S HABITATION):

V2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

The earth is the fourth object in the solar system counting from the sun which as was said before in **Chapter 11** equates with the fourth commandment, the Holy Sabbath Day of rest and worship. Made Holy, because God blessed the day, sanctified it and hallowed it and made Himself present during that period of time, a Sanctuary in time, to all who would come aside and rest awhile and have communion with Him and be made whole, perfect and complete in Him. The earth was created to be the Land or place of Rest. He also embedded His appellation, title or name: Sheh-bah, meaning the number 7, perfect, complete (whole) or Sacred, Holy (Full) One. The Sabbath is the Holy Habitation for the Most High!

But the earth was given unto the gentiles and they tread it down for time, times and dividing of time, **Revelation 11: 2**, even as they did not turn their foot away from the Sabbath Day from doing their own pleasure upon His Holy Day, **Isaiah 58: 13**, but tread or trample it down as they did the earth. And the Most High allowed them to do as they pleased for there is a way which seems right unto a man but the end thereof are the ways of death. For strait is the way and narrow is the path that leads unto eternal life and few be that find it. And wide is the path and broad is the way that leads to destruction and many (the mountainous crowd of troops) be that enter therein, **Matthew 7: 13-14**. Each must choose ye this day whom he will serve. That is the prerogative God has entrusted to every man. The wide gate and broad way leads to death and destruction at Armageddon, the mountainous crowd of troops against God.

Whatever you sow you shall also reap, **Galations 6: 7**. The men with the mark of the beast who worshipped his image choose to rebel against God and His truth and to do evil, therefore, they cannot dwell anymore upon the earth, which typifies the Sabbath Day of the fourth commandment and His Presence. Hence,

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the vial of the 1st Angel is poured upon the earth and a noisome and grievous sore fell upon these wicked men.

V9 And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.

The harvest of the earth's grapes is ripe when this state or condition is achieved that men from the plagues caused by their sins continue to blaspheme the Name of God and repented not to glorify His Name who have power over these plagues. Armageddon is just on the horizon for such. All manner of sins and blasphemy shall be forgiven of man but the blasphemy of the Spirit shall not be forgiven neither in this life nor the life to come, **Matthew 12: 31-32**.

V16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon** (symbolic name composite of Har and Megiddo meaning: a range of mountains and to crowd upon or assemble selves by troops).

All these who continue to be unrepentant are so allowed for God did send them strong delusions that they should believe a lie that they all might be damned who holds the truth in unrighteousness, **2 Thessalonians 2: 11-12**. The generations of the unrighteous are allowed to gather at Armageddon: into a mountainous crowd of troops, that they might all be destroyed who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

THE PLACE OF HIS REST (SEA OF GLASS BEFORE THE THRONE MIRRORED):

V3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

Remember, the sea equates with the Laver of the courtyard in the Sanctuary before the Holy Places. Similarly there is a sea of glass before the throne of God in Heaven, **Revelation 4: 6**. In the previous Chapter we saw the 144K who gained the victory over the beast stand on the sea of glass mixed with fire having harps and they sang the song of Moses and of the Lamb.

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Now we see the laver of the courtyard of the earth (created in the beginning as the Land or place of rest) become fiery red but with blood of a dead man and every living soul died in the sea as the 2nd Angel pours out his vial upon the sea. Both, a contrast and comparison is made of the servants of the beast upon the earth: the Land or place of Rest, and the fiery red sea, and the servants of God in Heaven standing upon the sea of glass mixed with fire in the previous chapter. The first worships the beast and the second worships the Lord God Almighty.

V10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

As the sea of glass is before the Throne in Heaven even so reference is now made to the seat of the beast, his throne, which is where the woman, the mother or harlots, sits or rest and rides the scarlet coloured beast. And we know the 7 heads of the beast to be 7 mountains where the woman, the mother of harlots and the abomination of all the earth, Babylon the Great City is. The 5th Angel pours out his vial upon the seat of the beast and his kingdom is full of darkness even as he presided over the period called the dark ages and they shall gnaw their tongues for pain.

V17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

Now the scene flashes to the Throne of Heaven to confirm the point that the Most High rules in the Kingdom of men and He gives it to the basest of men, **Daniel 4: 17**. The great¹ voice is heard once again out of the Temple of Heaven, from the Throne of God, saying it is done after the 7th Angel pours out his vial into the air. The third woe is now complete.

THE PLACE FROM WHENCE FLOWS (CREATION'S SANCTUARY, THE HEART AND THE THRONE):

V4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.

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The whole earth is full of the power and glory of God. From whence flows the rivers and fountains of waters? But, from Thee O God! Out of the Throne John saw a pure river of water of life flowing down the streets of the New Jerusalem, **Revelation 22: 1.**

Imagine and visualize in your mind's eye the rain and snow which flows from the Creation's Sanctuary Holy Place of Heaven (the Clouds of Witnesses in the Tabernacle or sky) and refills the sea (of glass) as it flows down the High places of the earth and waters the land as it flows to (the sea) from whence it came. In this demonstration is captured from whence the rivers and fountain of waters first flowed at the beginning: out of the Holy Places of Heaven. This will again be recorded in the New Jerusalem as stated in the opening sentences.

The 3rd Angel now pours out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters and they too became as blood.

All return to the source out of whence they came to give glory and honour to the Maker (Mother) of all living things and to extol or praise the Omnipotent for His works.

V11 And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

From whence, comes all manner of sin, blasphemy and evil? But, from out of the fountain of the heart! Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks, **Matthew 12: 34.** Evil was sowed in this place in abundance so now flows in abundance blasphemy. These did not walk in the Spirit that they should not fulfil the lust of the flesh, **Galations 5: 16.** And so they blasphemed the God of Heaven because of their pains, sores and yet repented not of their deeds.

But blessed is the man that walks not in the counsel of the godly, nor stands in the way of sinners; nor sits in the seat of the scornful. But, his delight is in the law of God and in it he doth meditate both day and night. He shall be like a tree that is planted by the **rivers of waters** and shall bring forth his fruit in his season, **Psalms**

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1: 3. The Lord will dwell with such who are of a meek and quiet spirit, **1 Peter 3: 4**, that, gives hear to His words.

V18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

Out of the Throne comes forth voices, thunders and lightnings, **Revelation 4: 5**, the power and glory of the Almighty God is now displayed in these and a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake and so great. Yes, great and marvellous are thy works Lord God Almighty!

ONE WHO OCCUPIES EVERY PLACE, SPACE, AND TIME (PRESENT, PAST, FUTURE)

V5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

The judgements of the Lord are true and altogether righteous, **Psalms 19: 9**. That is who He is: righteous and this Great God occupies the present, past and future tense of every place, space and time, for He is omnipresent. If you want to be exalted then learn this: righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a reproach unto all people, **Proverbs 14: 34**. The soul that continues to sin (unrepentant) shall die.

V12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates (a river of Asia); and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

The rivers that previously were turned into blood by the 3rd Angel who poured out his vial thereon, one of them the Great River Euphrates, the Sweet waters thereof, a river of Asia, is now dried up by the 6th Angel who now pours out his vial upon it to prepare the way of the kings of the east.

The Lord, the Eternal Spirit, when He returns will come from the east: the forefront of palce or time, that is: eternity. He will encounter first the rulers of this region, but like the lightning which shines from the east and is seen in the

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west even so shall the coming of the Son of Man be, **Matthew 24: 27**, none will be spared from encountering this great day of His Coming.

Have you finished your course, have you kept the faith? Like Paul can you say: henceforth is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous Judge shall give to me in that day, and not to me only, but to all those who love His appearing, **2 Timothy 4: 7-8**.

V19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

The Great Almighty One who occupies all places, space, tenses and time send forth one of His ministering Spirit, the 6th Angel who pours out is vial and dries up the Great River, the Sweet which became the blood waters of Euphrates to prepare the way of the kings of the east and now the Great or Big One divides the great city, Babylon, into three parts and the cities of the nations fell as their sins were a reproach unto them and great Babylon came into the remembrance of God to give unto her of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath as depicted in the constellation of the Big Dipper.

NO HIDING PLACE (OUTSIDE OF GOD):

V6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

None that give their allegiance to the beast and worship his image shall escape the blood drink that is served by the 3rd Plague of the Wrath of God. They are considered worthy by the Angel of waters because as they had sowed even so now they receive: they had shed the blood of the saints and prophets and now they are given blood to drink. Their mother, the mother of harlots and of all the abomination of the earth was drunk with the blood of the saints and the prophets, **Revelation 17: 6**, and these too had participated in her crimes.

Under the 6th Seal in Chapter 6 when there was an earthquake; the sun became black as sackcloth, the moon as red as blood; the stars fell from heaven as a fig

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tree casts her untimely figs as shaken of a mighty wind; heaven departed as a scroll rolled up; and every Island and mountain was moved out of their places and every rich man, bond and free ran to the mountains and the rocks and call out to them to fall upon them and hide them from the Wrath of Him that sits on Throne for the great day of His Wrath has come and who shall be able to stand?

None that is guilty can escape the Wrath of God at the time of His visitation, though God is merciful, gracious and longsuffering, forgiving iniquity, transgressions and sins and that by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquities of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generations but keeping mercies to a thousand generations of them that love Him and keep His commandments, **Exodus 34: 6-8**. Only for these the Most High is a refuge and fortress in Him we hide.

V13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

Even the unclean spirits flee from within the dragon, the beast and the false prophet like frogs. No hiding place! Now you see how and why it is that these three were blasphemers and what motivated them, none other but the devil and his angels.

And they are three: the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost, which are one in whose Names we were baptized and who dwell within the body Temple of His saints and prophets and in them we abide. These are sealed by His Spirit for time and for eternity and no plague shall come near their dwelling.

V20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

Now the islands of the sea and the mountains that were previously moved out of their places under the 6th Seal now flee away and were not found that there be no where to hide from the face of Him that sits upon the Throne and from the great day of His Wrath.

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THE RECOUNT OF 21 VERSES, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY: THE ALPHA & OMEGA

V7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

The Lord is Sovereign in the Heavens, Earth, Sea and the fountain of waters, no one but He decides. God is Devine, the Deity, He is to be worshipped. He is the Creator of Heaven, Earth, the Sea and the fountain of waters. He is Almighty, exceedingly mighty, powerful, all powerful. He is Omnipotent. His judgements are true and righteous. The Angel of the waters and of the Altar agrees, with those of the earth who gained the victory over the mark of the Beast and worshipped not his image.

Remember, the song of Moses and the Lamb which they sang and played on harps in the previous Chapter:

Great and marvellous are Thy works Lord God Almighty. Just and true are Thy ways King of Saints. Who shall not fear Thee and glorify Thy name? Thou alone are holy! All nations shall come and worship before Thee. For Thy judgements are manifest.

In the recount we shall see of the greatness, justice, truth, glory and holiness of the Lord God Almighty in His works (functions), ways (character), name (mark of individuality or identity, a memorial) and judgments. We began with the glory of His Name: **the Lord (Great) God Almighty, the Alpha and Omega** and this He will not share with another, **Isaiah 42: 8 & 48: 11**. Now we proceed to look at the other aspect of His Person, Presence and function:

- 1 A **great¹** or exceedingly mighty or powerful **voice** was heard by John in **the Temple**, which commanded the 7 Angels to **go your ways and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth**. The Lord God Almighty is that Great voice in the Temple in Heaven. He is God of Heaven.
- 2 **1st Angel poured out his vial** (wrath of God) **upon the earth and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the**

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mark of the beast and who worshipped his image. The Lord God Almighty is the God of the earth! He will judge all ungodliness and sins of man. These did not worship Him in Spirit and in truth.

3 **2nd Angel poured out his vial (wrath of God) upon the sea and the sea became as the blood of a dead man and every living soul died in the sea.** The Lord God Almighty is also God of the sea!

4 **3rd Angel poured out his vial (wrath of God) upon the rivers and fountain of waters and they became blood.** The Lord God Almighty also made the rivers and the fountain of waters!

5 **The Angel of waters say: Thou art righteous O Lord which art, wast and shalt be for Thou has judged thus!** The Lord God Almighty is not only omnipotent but He occupies every space and time being Omnipresent and righteous! How can the unrighteous therefore escape and the righteous be not saved?

6 **For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.** The Lord God Almighty is just for as a man sows even so shall he also reap, **Galations 6: 7.**

So the great voice of the Lord God Almighty of the Temple in Heaven give the command to the 7 Angels to go and pour out their vials upon the whole wide world and the first three pour out their vials upon **the earth, the sea, the rivers and fountains of waters** and there fell a noisome and grievous sores upon the men with the mark of beast, the sea became blood and every living soul in it died, likewise the rivers and fountains of waters became blood. Remember the 1st Angel's message who had the everlasting gospel in **Revelation 14: 7** was: fear God and give glory to Him for the hour of His judgement is come and worship Him who made the heaven, the earth and the fountain of waters.

V14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great⁵ day of God Almighty.

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There was once war in Heaven. The devil and his angels fought and Michael and His Angels fought. And there was found no more place for the devil as he and his angels were cast out of heaven into the earth, **Revelation 12:7-9**. The warfare as described is not carnal but among the Spirits. The Eternal Spirit, the Lord God Almighty and His ministering spirits, His Angels are engaged in this that is dubbed **the battle of that great day of God Almighty** against the spirit of devils. The spirit of devils works through earthly powers, working miracles to deceive the inhabitants of earth: kings and the whole world to gather them for this Battle. But the Lord God Almighty, the Eternal Spirit, is apt for the task at hand as we shall see in the recount:

- 8 **4th Angel** or ministering spirit **pours out his vial on the sun and power was given to him scorch men with fire.**
- 9 The fire had a great heat that men was scorched with and they **blasphemed** (not glorify) **the name of God and did not repented to give Him glory.** But why that even with such a plague they refused to repent, these men of clay were of course mixed with steel of devils, **Daniel 2: 43.**
- 10 **5th Angel** or ministering spirit **poured out his vial upon the seat** (throne) **of the Beast and his kingdom was full of darkness the men gnawed their tongues in pain.** This darkness was so great that they could not see.
- 11 **And blasphemed the God of heaven for their pains, sores, and repented not of their deeds.** When the Lord returns shall he find faith upon the earth, **Luke 18: 8.**
- 12 **6th Angel** or ministering spirit **pours out his vial upon the great river Euphrates,** once sweet but became blood after the 3rd Angel had poured out his vial, **this great river is dried up to prepare the way of the kings of the east.**
- 13 Now it is revealed who is behind the impenitence of the men with the mark of the beast: **I saw 3 unclean spirits like frogs came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet.**

REVELATION 16: THE GLORY AND THE POWER OF THE HOLY PLACES

Under the next three plagues of the Lord (Great) God Almighty: the Alpha and Omega, the Eternal Spirit, the 4th, 5th and 6th Angels or Ministering spirits used the plagues of **great² heat of a fire (the sun)**, **great³ (full) darkness** and **dried up the great⁴ river Euphrates** to prepare the way of the Kings of the east and the men with the mark of the beast refused to repent and continued in their blasphemy. Yea, as was said by the 2nd Angel in **Revelation 14: 8**, Babylon is fallen is fallen that great city for she had made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

V21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent (How much a talent weighs depends on the origin of the talent. An Egyptian talent weighed 60 pounds and a Roman talent weighed 71 pounds. A Greek talent was 56 pounds and a Babylonian talent was 67 pounds.): **and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.**

Only the Lord (Great) God Almighty, the Alpha and Omega, can bring forth such great judgements as revealed in the 7 last plagues, yea, great and marvellous are Thy Works Lord God Almighty. Just and true are Thy ways King of Saints. Who shall not fear Thee and glorify Thy name. For you alone are holy. All nations shall come and worship before Thee. For thy judgements are manifest. This **plague of great⁷ hail stones** from Heaven is in addition to the 7 Last Plagues (The Little Dipper) and is of the Big Dipper or Great, Almighty God Himself. We shall now review these two: first, the 7th and this last Great Plague of Hailstones in this recount:

15 Behold, I come (second coming) **as a thief. Blessed is he that** (first) **watcheth, and keepeth his garments** (clothed in the sun), **lest he walk naked** (second, consequence or at last), **and they see his shame.**

As often as you invoke the Presence of God by calling on His Name: prayer, watch unto prayer, you prepare your soul (keep your garments or character) that you be not naked that anyone see your shame. Men ought to pray rather than faint, **Luke 18: 1.**

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In order to enter into the Presence of the Holy God: the Lord God Almighty, the Alpha and Omega, by constant prayer men must afflict their souls confessing their faults and sins that He might hear and give heed unto our prayers. Remember, the Lord is nigh him that is of a broken heart and saves such of a contrite spirit, **Psalm 34:18**. Prayer, being hot: season of summer, bowing or tilting the head as the earth does 23.5 degrees, and praise, being cold: the season of winter, lifting the hands and head upward as the earth does tilting 23.5 degrees, are the preferred seasons and much better than being lukewarm, because, as He also inhabits the praise of His people, **Revelation 3: 15**.

And these two grant the opportunity to stand in watch and prepared for His Second Coming. As the Earth tilts forward as if bowed in prayer and backward as its face looking upward towards heaven in praise, glorifying His Name, so must the people of God constantly be in prayer and praise!

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon (symbolic name composite of Har and Megiddo meaning: a range of mountains and to crowd upon or assemble selves by troops).

David did ask how many are those that rise up against me? The answer suggests, the first part of the composite word, a mountainous range, a huge or great number. Remember, the three unclean spirits like frogs that gather the whole world together for the great day of the battle of the Lord God Almighty. The second part of the composite word: Megiddo, tells us that they assemble themselves by troops as an army in this battle of the Spirits.

17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

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The Alpha has now brought all things to an Omega when the 7th Angel pours out his vial into the air the great voice came out of the temple of heaven from the Throne, saying: It is done! As all things began with Him it now ends with Him.

18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

Then came the other voices and the earthquake that brought down Jericho at the end of 7th day or time recount is now felt upon the earth, a great and mighty earthquake, as it was at the beginning of the recount under the sixth seal, **Revelation 6: 12**, even so it shall end with another earthquake.

19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

As the walls of Jericho came tumbling down even so now, first, the great city, is divided into three parts, and, second, the other cities of the nations fell. These two make one, the great Babylon which now comes in the remembrance before God to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

These two, first, the islands of the sea, and second, the mountains that were moved out of their places at the start of the recount after the 6th seal was opened, now fled away and were no longer found.