The Story Flow of the Book of Revelation

Summary

Revelation reads like a jumble of isolated, terrifying images — until it's read as a single, ordered timeline. This chapter-by-chapter overview does exactly that.

- The seven congregations read as recurring spiritual conditions, not seven historical church eras.
- The sealed scroll opened by the Messiah, and the four horsemen interpreted as a false gospel followed by war, famine, and disease.
- The fifth-seal martyrs, sixth-seal heavenly signs, the sealing of the 144,000, and the "great multitude."
- The seven trumpet-plagues, with the fifth and sixth interpreted as a revived European power.
- The two witnesses, the beast and the "great false church," and finally the Messiah's return, the thousand-year reign, the Great White Throne Judgment, and the new heaven and earth.

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There exists a living God of love, mercy, compassion, wisdom, justice; of transcendent purpose and of supreme power, who will soon intervene and save humanity from itself.

Approximately one third of the entire Bible is devoted to prophecy. We read in Ephesians 2:20 that the very New Covenant Congregation that Yah'shua founded on the day of Pentecost is built on the foundation of these prophets - with Yah'shua as the "chief" or "head" corner stone.

The actual framework, or superstructure of all the Biblical prophecies is found described in the book of Daniel and in the book of Revelation. In the book of Revelation, alone, do we find events of the various other prophecies correlated in order of time sequence.

This is the Revelation *(revealing - opening up of)* by Yah'shua the Messiah as given to Him by Yahweh the Father. Yahweh gave it to the Messiah, the Messiah sent and signified it by His angel unto His servant John, who bore record; that is, recorded it in writing, much like a stenographer.

John recorded three things: first, the Word of Yahweh; second, the testimony of Yah'shua the Messiah; and third, all the things that he, John saw. So the book of Revelation, like all Scripture is the Word of Yahweh, with part of it being the direct quotation of Yah'shua and another part of it being the inspired vision of the things John saw, most of which were symbols.

A blessing is pronounced on you for reading the words of the Revelation, providing you are submissive and obedient to keep those things written therein. "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein".

In the 10th, or middle verse of the 1st chapter, we find a keynote verse, sounding the theme of the whole Revelation. The theme is the "Day of Yahweh", or the "Lord's Day". "I was in the Spirit on Yahweh's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet" *(Verse 10).*

Here John is not referring to any day of the week, but what is referred to in over 30 prophecies as "the great and terrible Day of Yahweh".

Encyclopaedia Biblica says "Lord's Day as in Revelation, stands for day of Yahweh: the day of Judgement, and is the meaning of context and gives the key to the book".

In Spirit - in vision, John was carried forward some 2,000 years - projected into Yahweh's Day during the time which is now just ahead of us - perhaps to occur in this very generation.

The prophet Joel describes Yahweh's Day as a time when Yahweh will send destruction upon the unrighteous and sinning nations of the world. Zephaniah says it is the day of Yahweh's Wrath.

So the very purpose of this book of Revelation, is to show us of this generation now living, the coming world-shaking events of the Day of Yahweh - the time of Yahweh's judgement at this age, leading up to and climaxing in the Messiah's Second Coming.

The first real message comes in the second and third chapters in the form of direct testimony of Yah'shua to the seven Congregations. Here Yah'shua is expounding upon examples of the actual spiritual conditions plus the works and the accomplishments that would occur within His true Congregation, during the period of time from His crucifixion until the end of this age. These are His prophesied examples of how His Congregation *(the called out ones)* would function between then and now.

The symbolism of the seven Congregation commentaries, provides us with tremendous introspective opportunities for our own spiritual behaviour. Yah'shua used these seven symbolic examples of spiritual behaviour, knowing they would inspire us to take a closer look at our own spiritual lives.

In effect, it was His first general warning for us to repent, contained in His Revelation. In each of the examples of improper spiritual behaviour, Yah'shua included various assurances of eternal rewards being given to, "He who overcomes *[the improper behaviour]"*, as future encouragement to all of us who would someday read His Words.

Revelation 4 sets out a beautiful description of how John saw and what he saw at the very throne of the Ruler of our universe. Chapter 5 is a vital chapter in context. "And I saw in the right hand of Him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals" *(Rev 5:1).* "And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?' And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon" *(Verse 2-4).* "And one of the elders saith unto me, `weep not; behold the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book and to loose the seven seals thereof'"*(Vs. 5).*

The Root of David - the Lion of the tribe of Judah, is Yah'shua the Messiah, here standing at the very right hand of Yahweh, who alone is able to reveal to us the meaning. And notice: "And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him that sat upon the throne" *(Verse 7).* "And they sang a new song, saying, `Worthy art thou to take the scroll and to open its seals, for thou wast slain and by thy blood didst ransom men for Yahweh from every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and hast made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on earth'" *(Revelation 5:9-10 RSV).*

The vision appears to John in heaven but it portrays events to happen here, on earth. The Messiah has redeemed people to reign with Him as kings, and to minister to and save people as priests - not in Heaven - "they shall reign on earth". The Messiah said: "If I go, I will come again". And the last words of John; "He

which testifieth these things saith, `Surely I *[Yah'shua]* come quickly'! Amen! Even so, come Lord Yah'shua"!

In Chapter 6, Yah'shua opens six of the entire seven seals. Yet 16 Chapters are used for the events of the 7th seal alone. When Yah'shua opened the first seal, one of the four living creatures John saw in Heaven, said: "`come and see.' And I saw, and behold, a white horse; and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him; and he went forth conquering and to conquer" *(Verse 2).*

The horse and the description of the rider are symbols. Yahweh used symbols and Yah'shua used symbols, or parables - a figure or thing used to represent something else; to hide the meaning from men, until the meaning is revealed by Yah'shua Himself. This is a vital key to understanding the Revelation.

The identity of this first horseman has caused more confusion among Bible critics than the rest of the Revelation as a whole. The basic misinterpretations appear in many forms. Nearly all commentators label the white horse as Yah'shua the Messiah or some sort of representation of His Congregation or work on earth. The Messiah clarifies this, and prophesies that this very deception and grave misunderstanding would occur.

Yah'shua's younger brother Jude, exhorted to early Israelites, "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness" *(Jude 3,4).*

In the first century Israelites witnessed a counterfeit Christianity creeping in, deceiving many. Such deception has now increased in intensity until the Messiah says that it has; "deceiveth the whole world" *(Revelation 12:9)* about His true message. There is no greater sign of this universal ignorance about Yahweh than the misunderstanding of what the first white horseman represents.

This first white horse and rider does represent a gospel and a Congregation, but it is a false gospel and a false church - a counterfeit. Counterfeit Christianity, like counterfeit money, closely resembles the real thing. It may appear to be Biblical and Messiah-like, but it represents subtle flaws throughout its doctrine. This first horseman is such a counterfeit Messiah; one "good" enough to fool the majority, but not the "elect".

Notice first that the true Messiah of Revelation 19 brandishes a sword out of His mouth, not a bow in his hand as the first white horseman. The "sword" in Bible usage represents His "Word". The Word of Yahweh is called, in symbol, a "two edged sword" *(Hebrews 4:12).* The Messiah comes reproving the nations with His Word, the two edged sword, while the counterfeit comes with the bow as a source of power. The bow is symbolic of false "worldly" political and military powers *(Ezekiel 39:1-4).* Yahweh says of this counterfeit, "with force and cruelty you have ruled them" *(Ezekiel 34:4).*

Also, we must notice Yah'shua's own plain description of this event as set out below. Many times when Yah'shua used parables, he would later, explain the meaning clearly to His disciples. Symbols in Revelation

are to be treated exactly the same way - we must look for Yah'shua's explanation of the symbols - elsewhere - in His Word. When His disciples came to Him privately and asked Him on the Mount of Olives; "when they to whom He revealed His parables" - "they to whom it was given to know these mysteries", Yah'shua was setting an example of how to find His meanings - go to Him! Yah'shua told His disciples plainly when they asked Him (when they sought out His Word); "tell us *[plainly]*, when shall these things be? And what shall be the Sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? Yah'shua answered and said unto them, take heed that no man deceive you, for many shall come in my name, saying I am the Messiah; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places. All these things are the beginning of sorrows" *(Matthew 24:4-8).* This was the Olivet Prophecy - like a high spot summary of world news from 31 A.D. until now!

The first thing Yah'shua said would happen is false preachers, misleading and deceiving, not the few, but the many. The Messiah reveals here in Matthew, that the white horse and rider of the first seal *(the first of the "four horsemen of the Apocalypse")* pictures those preaching a false Messiah, or more precisely, a false gospel - a great deception.

Yahweh says all wars are a result of violating His supreme spiritual laws. The false teaching of Christianity has done away with Yahweh's laws and endorsed the traditions and ways of men - leading ultimately, to wars.

The second thing Yah'shua said would happen through His Olivet Prophecy was wars. And the second seal, pictures a red horse, the color of blood; "And there went out another horse that was red; and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from earth, and that they should kill one another; and there was given unto him a great sword" *(Revelation 6:4).*

The third thing Yah'shua prophesied from Olivet was that great famines would result from the awesome destruction of wars. And the third horse; "a black horse, and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, `a measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny: and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine'" *(Revelation 6:5-6).*

The fourth part of Yah'shua's Olivet prophecy was disease epidemics, resulting from famines and wars, and the fourth horse; "a pale horse, and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell *[the grave] f*ollowed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with the sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth" *(Revelation 6:8).*

These four events - the direct result of man trying to govern himself contrary to Yahweh's laws, bring us to the present according to the Revelation timeline. "All these are the beginnings of sorrows" *(Matthew 24:8).* Then Yah'shua explained the fifth event in plain language; "Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted,

and shall kill you; and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake" *(Matthew 24:9).* Yah'shua says "they" shall kill "you".

The "you" here means truly converted, Spirit begotten, Israelites. "And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall arise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved...for then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be...for there shall arise false Messiahs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs, and wonders, insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect" *(Matthew 24:10-13,21,24).*

This 5th event speaks individually to spiritual Israel, many of whom have become so lukewarm, so out of prayerful contact with Yahweh, that they have been deceived by the false prophets; Satan's demons transformed into "ministers of righteousness". These people will not escape the Great Tribulation.

When the 5th seal is opened; "I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of Yahweh, and for the testimony which they held: and they cried with a loud voice, saying, `how long, O Yahweh, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?' And white robes were given them every one; and it was said unto them: that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled" *(Revelation 6:9-11).*

Here is the Great Tribulation - a time of martyrdom of saints. The first martyrs, about 50 million, killed centuries ago, are asking how long before the Messiah's Second Coming and the end of this age. The answer is it shall not occur until another Great Tribulation; another martyrdom of saints, who shall be killed - AS THEY WERE. In Matthew 24:14, Yah'shua interrupted His disciples to tell them when the end of this age would be: "And this Gospel of the kingdom *[of Yahweh]* shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then the end shall come".

Yah'shua warned that just prior to the end, false prophets will "deceive the many", saying that Yah'shua was the Messiah, but doing away with His Gospel - His message - which was the Kingdom of Yahweh - the government of Yahweh with Yahweh's laws and Yahweh's rules. And that the whole world would be deceived into *(by deceived ministers)* transgression of the law, which is sin, by believing they could hold the traditions of men while worshipping Yahweh and still be saved.

Yah'shua Himself said in Mark 7; "In vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men...making the Word of Yahweh of no effect through your tradition". Yah'shua said just before the end would come that this "Gospel of the kingdom", the announcement of the government of Yahweh - a kingdom with a kingdom's laws; the same Gospel that Yah'shua preached - shall go to all the world for a witness unto all nations - and then shall the end come!

A summary of the 6th Chapter so far as the six seals are concerned: First, false preachers; second, wars climaxing into world wars; third, famines; fourth, disease epidemics; fifth, Great Tribulation - the martyrdom of saints and then the sixth, "there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood, and the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind" *(Revelation 6:12-13).* "For the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" *(Verse 17).*

After the Great Tribulation - the martyrdom of saints of the fifth seal, there were the heavenly signs of the sixth seal, followed immediately by the terrible Day of Yahweh - Yahweh's Day, or the day of Yahweh's Wrath. Joel 1:15 prophesies this same event, as does Zephaniah 1:14-15, 17 and more than 30 other prophecies, each referring to it as the "Lord's day" or that "Great and Terrible" "Day of Yahweh". It is the day of Yahweh's Wrath and must not be confused with the Great Tribulation - it is a separate event occurring AFTER THE TRIBULATION.

The Great Tribulation is an event that the saints will pray to be a part of - to be martyred during this time will ensure eternal life and our escape from Yahweh's Wrath. Yah'shua said: "Watch ye therefore, pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man" *(Luke 21:36).*

For 6,000 years Yahweh has sent His loving messages to mankind. In love Yahweh revealed His law. His way of life that would lead to everything good and desirable. Yahweh sent all His prophets with His message of peace, revealing to mankind the way to peace and happiness, but men have rejected the message, and killed the prophets. They killed Yah'shua, who brought us the Good News of the Kingdom of Yahweh - His Gospel.

They martyred the Apostles and millions of saints in the first great martyrdoms in Europe. Yahweh has given this stubborn, deceived, misguided race, every chance for 6,000 long years to save itself from a self-imposed destruction, but men would not heed - they still won't! Yahweh is about to step in, "in His Wrath" and speak to this rebellious world in the only language it will heed. Yahweh will now punish this world for its evil ways. As any loving parent punishes his child who will not listen to kind, loving admonition, so now Yahweh is going to punish His world with His judgements; His plagues!

As we begin the seventh chapter, we find that the time of these terrible plagues is to be held up temporarily until the servants of Yahweh are sealed in their foreheads. "And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth...And I saw another angel, ...saying, hurt not the earth neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed 144,000 of all the tribes of the children of Israel" *(Revelation 7:1-4).*

We must first notice that the time of the sealing of these 144,000 is yet in the future - after many, many saints are to be martyred in the Great Tribulation. But these 144,000 are not all! "After this I beheld, and,

lo a great multitude which no man could number, of all nations and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes and palms in their hands...these are they which came out of the great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb" *(Revelation 7:9,13-14)*. And what is sealed in their foreheads? They are sealed with His Holy Spirit in their foreheads.

In chapter 14:1 you will see that it is the Father's name that is written there. This 144,000 is sealed prior to them ever suffering in the Great Tribulation.

The innumerable multitude will be saved as a result of their suffering and subsequent repentance during the Great Tribulation. After the beginning of the Great Tribulation, men will be seized with stark terror at the supernatural heavenly signs, and thousands upon thousands will at last recognize that it is really Yahweh that is warning them; they will at last recognize the truth, when they will finally realize how the world has been deceived and misled, they will turn to Yahweh in complete submission, fully repenting, and through obedience to their faith in Yah'shua the Messiah our Saviour, they will THEN be saved.

The real reward in the harvest of precious lives will mostly come AFTER our labours are finished in this life - at a time when Satan's deceptions will no longer be effective!

Chapter 8 is the opening of the seventh seal; "and I saw the seven angels which stood before Yahweh; and to them were given seven trumpets" *(Revelation 8:1-2)*. John sees seven trumpets - seven symbols. They are - they constitute the seventh seal which occurs in seven stages of real world events. Each part or event is called a trumpet.

These trumpets are symbols of plagues, as we see at the end of the sixth of these trumpets, they are plainly called plagues: "And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold...which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk" *(Revelation 9:20)*.

The first four of these trumpet-plagues are described in Chapter 8 as winds that blow on the 1) earth, 2) trees, 3) rivers, 4) seas *(Verse 6-12)*. The last three trumpets are called woes, because of the terrible woe that shall befall the forces of evil on earth *(Revelation 8:13)*.

The first woe which is the fifth trumpet, is described in Chapter 9:1-11, as the power that comes out of the "bottomless pit" or the influence of the devil which causes the destruction this time, to men *(not to nature as the first four trumpets did)*. The power from the bottomless pit is interpreted in Revelation 17:8-14, where we learn that it is symbolic of the rebirth of the Roman Empire in Europe.

It is described in prophecy as a union of 10 nations rising up under the influence of the false church - and as a power to the north of the Holy Land - to the "north and west" *(Europe)*. And it refers to a very large *(spiritual)* army, some 200 million. World events are now moving to make possible the creation of a new "United Europe" having the form of government, and an association with the revived Roman Empire

which would be able to easily amass an army of more than 200 million. The first woe is the evil doctrines and false teachings this revived fascist power will influence upon men. The second woe is the actual spiritual destruction and resulting physical destruction this massive war-like machine will have on mankind.

Before the third woe; the last trumpet, we find the two witnesses described. They end their mission *(Chapter 11)* at the time of the end of the second woe *(Verse 12-14)*.

The witnesses are described symbolically in the letters written to the seven Congregations, which are the seven lampstands before the throne of Yahweh with the Messiah standing in the midst: 1:20; "The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in my hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven Congregations and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven Congregations". Remember, Congregations are people in modern spiritual Israel, and this Revelation is for our time.

The "Congregations", symbolized by lampstands, are people that are visible to the world due to their spiritual lifestyle. The second Congregation in Smyrna, the "persecuted" Congregation, speaks of those who have suffered, and will suffer persecution for His name's sake, and accordingly have received, or will receive the crown of life. As will the people of the sixth Congregation in Philadelphia, the "faithful" Congregation; speaking of those who "have kept my word and not denied my name". The other five Congregations, have not yet received the crown of life, but as Yah'shua points out, they may "yet overcome".

In other words, if they are alive at His return and they repent they will overcome, or if they are dead prior to His return, they will be resurrected to an opportunity to salvation "after the thousand years were finished".

The two witnesses are described as "...the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth". The "olive tree" *(Biblical symbol of purity)* and the "lampstand" symbolically describe the two witnesses as the pure, or true Congregation of believers - the "visible elect". These symbols relate to Zechariah 4:2-6, where Zerubbabel and Joshua the priest are pictured as two olive trees furnishing "oil" *(truth)* for the "lampstand" *(ancient Israel)*.

The witnesses will be the ultimate fulfillment of the promised return of Elijah; being Yahweh's power, His Holy Spirit, working through them to confirm His New Covenant to spiritual Israel *(Mal. 4:5, 6; John 1:21)*.

It is important to note here that Yah'shua, in His letters to the Congregations, is describing seven types of spiritual conditions that have existed and will exist in spiritual Israel, throughout history until the time of His return.

This spiritual era, originally recorded by John in the Greek language, uses grammar of the present-continuous tense, which is not readily translated to English, with its inherent limitations to either past,

present or future tense. *(These letters do not represent seven successive church eras as many false traditional Christians profess.)*

Yahweh, through Yah'shua, has chosen to symbolically describe the behaviour of modern spiritual Israel, as that which is represented by the seven spiritual conditions of the then existing Congregation. It is therefore the truly obedient and faithful servants of Yahweh; some select of the saints; two of those elect members of the body of the Messiah that are alive just prior to His return, that will receive supernatural protection and be "witnesses, and they will prophesy *[testify, confirming the New Covenant]* one thousand three hundred and sixty days *[three and one half years]* clothed in sackcloth".

Revelation 11:5,6 states that these witnesses will continue their ministry during the three and one half years prior to the seventh trumpet. These two witnesses will be killed for their testimony; for making their light *(truth)* shine in the darkness *(the world)*.

The witnesses will complete the Covenant of the Messiah; the promise of eternal inheritance through the New Covenant. As the Messiah was cut off *(crucified)* "in the midst of the week" *(after three and one half years)* of His confirming of the New Covenant, so too will the two witnesses be cut off (killed, v.7) after three and one half years of completing the Messiah's confirmation of His New Covenant.

This total period of seven prophetic days, or seven literal years, is symbolic of Yahweh's "completion" of His work in confirming the New Covenant. Daniel 9:24-27 is referred to as the "70 weeks prophecy", wherein a day equals a year *(Num. 14:34)*. In Daniel 9:27 we see that the Messiah was to "confirm the *[New]* COVENANT with many for ONE WEEK". This refers to the last week of the seventy weeks, and explains that the Messiah would confirm the New Covenant for seven prophetic days, or SEVEN ACTUAL YEARS!

The witnesses will be killed by the "beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit" *(v.7)*; specifically for their testimony against the "beast" - the revived Roman Empire and for their testimony against the "mother of harlots - Babylon the Great", the Roman Catholic church and its daughters; "harlots" being the vast majority of traditional Christian ministries.

In addition to completing the confirmation of the Messiah's New Covenant, the testimony of these witnesses will reflect the prophetic testimony of Daniel and John, whereby both of these former prophets also testified of things concerning the "false gods" and "false doctrine" of modern spiritual Israel's traditional Christianity - the horrors of the "Holy" Roman Empire that have indeed "...tormented those who dwell on the earth" *(Rev. 11:10)* during the time since the Messiah's crucifixion.

Catholics, protestants and many non-denominational "Christians", have spent the great portion of their respective "theological expertise" over the years, in attempting to "prove" that this false Christianity prophesied by Daniel, John and others, did not point to themselves, but rather to each other, or in some

cases, to the heathen nations. Ironically, this great effort has served only to perpetuate their own self-deception.

The descriptive explanation in the Bible of false churches and false doctrines, fits perfectly the Catholic and protestant religious organizations (mother of harlots and harlots), who have caused all (but the elect) who live in modern spiritual Israel to reside in nations of sin *(Babylon the Great).* These people all reject Yahweh's Laws in order to keep man-made traditions and phoney "holi" days, or to become members of some man-made "church" organization!

The two witnesses will be aware of the perilous state of their own lives and will pray to Yahweh with faithful confidence, as set out in Psalm 30:11, "You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness". The witnesses will proclaim their testimony while being in a prayerfully remorseful and repentant attitude for themselves and the nations. *(Remorse and repentance are symbolized by sackcloth.)*

They will announce their end-time warnings confident that Yahweh will take off their sackcloth - end this physical life, and clothe them with gladness - resurrect them to eternal life as set forth in Rev. 11:7,11,12, just as the Messiah was resurrected.

The seventh and last trumpet symbolizes the end of Yahweh's Wrath: "And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of Yahweh" *(Revelation 15:1). Moffatt* translation renders it: "for they complete the wrath of Yahweh". What is the seventh trumpet? It is the announcement that Yah'shua the Messiah will actually appear as world ruler over all nations. His coming shall occur at the last "trump" - see I Corinthians 15:52, I Thessalonians 4:16, Matthew 24:31. "And the seventh angel sounded, and there were great voices in heaven, saying, the Kingdoms of this world have become the Kingdom of our Lord, and of His Messiah; and He shall reign forever and ever" *(Revelation 11:15).*

Why is this the completion of Yahweh's wrath? Evil men have never wanted Yahweh's rule. Even though it is the only way to peace, happiness and joy. And so, the extreme wealthy; the rulers of human governments will be angry. They shall be again deceived into believing that the Messiah is the Anti-Messiah - by false teachers - and they shall fight against the Messiah and His rule over the earth!

Read it - *(Revelation 11:18)* "And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth".

Yah'shua the Messiah is coming to rule. The kingdom of Yahweh is a kingdom; a government, bearing rule over every other Kingdom on earth. Yahweh's kingdom is described by Yah'shua throughout the Bible as a family, finally grown into a world-ruling divine nation of immortals. Yah'shua taught the way we inherit the Kingdom of Yahweh, but only by first being begotten of Yahweh; being born of Yahweh. Notice carefully, at the Messiah's coming, the DEAD in the Messiah are to then be resurrected immortal. The

living in the Messiah *(I Corinthians 15:50-54)* shall be changed; converted from mortal to immortal in the twinkling of an eye. They are then born into the Kingdom of Yahweh.

They then come into their inheritance as Yah'shua said; "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared".

In Chapter 12, John pictures the true Congregation, from the time prior to the Messiah's birth *(Verse 4)* through His resurrection and ascension *(Verse 5)*, and the 1260 years of persecution when the true Congregation was forced to flee completely beyond the bounds of organized government persecution. There have always been, as the Messiah said there would be, a "remnant", "small in number" and "keeping the commandments of Yahweh"; the body of the Messiah - the true Congregation of believers.

Chapter 13 pictures the symbolic "beast" and the second two-horned "beast" - the Roman Empire and Catholic church, respectively. Chapter 14 shows the three angels' messages, proclaiming the fall, or doom of "Babylon" *(Babylon being the Empire and false Church combined)* through the seven last plagues; and a warning against the "mark of the beast", which those in "Babylon" *(more precisely - the false Christian world)*, are deceived into having.

Chapter 15 and 16 describe the 7 last plagues as Yahweh's judgements against this world's false system "Babylon" *(Revelation 18:4,10).* Chapters 17 and 18 picture the revived Roman Empire and the great false churches deceiving all nations *(17:5, 17:2, 15 and 18:3).* The world, the professing Christian world, is today in "Babylon"! Deceived! We are Yahweh's people, today in Babylon and Yahweh calls us out *(Revelation 18:4)* and tells us to keep His commandments!

Chapter 19 shows the Second Coming of the Messiah, and the 20th, shows the 1,000 year reign on earth *(Revelation 5:10)* and Great White Throne Judgement. Chapters 21 and 22, the new heaven and new earth through eternity.

Revelation 14:12; "Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of Yahweh and the faith of Yah'shua". Here are those who are to be "accounted worthy to escape all these things"; Yahweh's Wrath.

Here are those who will reign with the Messiah as priests, and be blessed with the opportunity to minister to and save people for Yahweh during the millennium.

Here is the Messiah's true Congregation - "the remnant", "small in number", "keeping the commandments of Yahweh", avoiding the traditions of men *(the mark of the beast)*; here are those who are not afraid to STAND UP AND DO what Yahweh says - instead of following the crowd; the "convenient" traditions of Satan's mainstream "Christian", or other equally spurious theologies!

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