Return of the King of Kings

Revelation 19:11-21

Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was 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.

CALL TO THE WORD: REV 19:11-16

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.

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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 the 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.

CALL TO THE WORD: REV 19:11-16

"...man without the Spirit of God does not go against God's will because of pressure... does it spontaneously and voluntarily..." (Luther)

"All of us used to live that way, following the passionate desires and inclinations of our sinful nature...It is only by God's grace that you have been saved..."

Eph 2:3-5



Patience has a shelf life.

"My Spirit shall not strive with man forever."

Gen 6:3

MacArthur: "I'm tired of waiting for the world to be reformed."



Patience has a shelf life.

Someday our present era of grace will end abruptly. At that time there will be an accounting for sin.



Heaven opens... not to let John in, but to allow Jesus and His posse of saints out...

There is a sense in which everything before this in the Book of Revelation is an introduction to this revelation (unveiling) of Jesus Christ.

The plea of Isa 64:1-2 is now fulfilled:



"Any idea of God that ignores judgment and his strong dislike for sin, just to focus on a soft and overly affectionate view, doesn't fit with the tough and realistic vision of the Book of Revelation. It emphasizes that the Bible's portrayal of God includes both love and judgment, not just sentimentality." (Mounce)



It's good for us to remember that this dramatic display of judgment comes *only at the end* of a long time of grace, patience, and mercy.

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"All of these passages point to the sad conclusion that in the day of judgment it is too late for men to expect the mercy of God." (Walvoord)



Crown = "diadema" the crown of royalty and authority

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne:

Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns

All music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,

And hail Him as thy matchless King Thro' all eternity

REV 19:12

Called the Word of God

John 1:1-3; 14

When John calls Jesus "the Word of God," he's saying Jesus is more than just a message from God. He's presenting Jesus as God.



The Power of the Word of God

God's mere words have the ability to bring about reality and shape the universe according to His will.

"...if we would only realize the power of the Word of God...He just speaks the Word and it is all over. The battle is through. Oh, the power of the word of Jesus, the sword that goes forth out of His mouth." (Smith)

REV 19:14-15

He Will Rule with a Rod of Iron

Psalm 2

It will be the perfect balance of order and empathy to ensure that rules are applied fairly, and people are treated with respect and dignity.



KING of KINGS and LORD of LORDS

King of Kings deals with His rule over earthly kingdoms... Lord of Lords His dominion over the spiritual realm.

tetragrammaton, the four letters YHWH that make up the name Yahweh, the sacred and secret name of God.

"Self-existent One... the Becoming One"



Four Suppers

- The supper of salvation, alluded to in Jesus' parable (<u>Luk</u> 14:16-24).
- The Lord's supper, a commemoration of Jesus' sacrifice.
- The marriage supper of the Lamb.
- The supper of the great God.

REV 19:17-18

Four Suppers

"If you reject the first supper, the second supper will mean nothing to you. Then you will not be present at the third supper, but will be present at the fourth supper. Everybody gets to attend at least one of these suppers, but some will eat and others are eaten at the suppers." (Guzik)

REV 19:17-18

Armageddon & the Lake of Fire

This is the incurable insanity of sin, which wars away in spite of defeat after defeat, against a holy God."

(Newell)

IOW: Your arms are too short to box with God.

REV 19:19-21

Armageddon & the Lake of Fire

The lake of fire is what we normally consider hell.

It is *real*, and there is nothing more important than avoiding it.

"The battle of Armageddon is the laughter of God against the climax of man's arrogance." (Barnhouse)

REV 19:19-21

His Name is and always will be the Final Authority

Acts 4:12

In light of this truth, you need to ask yourself an important question: What person, possession, position, or priority is challenging His place on the throne of my heart?



His Word will Win the Final Victory

"One little word shall fell him."
(Luther)

What are you doing to sharpen your skills in handling the spiritual sword of Scripture to be better equipped for your battle against Satan and sin?



You Have His Word

Ps 138:2-3

I will worship toward Your holy temple and praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name. In the day when I cried out, You answered me, *And* made me bold *with* strength in my soul.



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