

# Revelation

Chapter 16

Lesson 17



# Revelation 16:1-2

- ◆ <sup>1</sup> And I heard a great voice from the Temple saying to the seven angels, "Go away and pour out the seven bowls of the wrath of God onto the earth." <sup>2</sup> And the first one departed and poured out his bowl upon the earth and ulcerated sores, foul and painful came upon the people having the mark of the beast and who worshipped his image.



# Revelation 16:3

- ◆ <sup>3</sup> And the second one poured out his bowl upon the sea, and it became blood like that of a corpse, and every living thing that was in the sea died.



# Angel of the Waters

- ◆ In Revelation 14:18, John has mentioned “the angel who has authority over fire.” Here in 16:5, he refers to “the angel of the waters.” In certain Jewish traditions, specific angels were given authority over various elements of nature (cf. 1 En. 60:11-25). Rev 16:5 may be reflecting a idea that is in some sense similar to those Jewish ideas.



# 1 Enoch 66

- ◆ After this he showed me the angels of punishment who are prepared to come and release all the powers of the waters which are underground to become judgment and destruction unto all who live and dwell upon the earth. <sup>2</sup> But the Lord of the Spirits gave an order to the angels who were on duty that they should not raise the (water) enclosures but guard (them)—for they were the angels who were in charge of the waters. Then I left from the presence of Enoch.



# Revelation 16:4

- ◆ <sup>4</sup> And the third one poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of water, and they became blood.



# Revelation 16:5-6

- ◆ <sup>5</sup> And I heard the angel of the waters saying, “You are just, the one who is, and the one who was, the holy one, because you have judged these things, <sup>6</sup> because they poured out the blood of the holy ones and the prophets and you have given them blood to drink, they are worthy of it.”



# Revelation 16:7

- ◆ <sup>7</sup> And I heard the altar saying, "Yes Lord, the God, the Almighty, true and just are your judgments."



# Revelation 16:8-9

- ◆ <sup>8</sup> And the fourth one poured out his bowl upon the sun, and it was given the ability to scorch the people with fire. <sup>9</sup> And the people were scorched with great heat and they blasphemed the name of God, the one having the authority over these plagues and they did not repent and give him glory.



# Revelation 16:10-11

- ◆ <sup>10</sup> And the fifth one poured out his bowl upon the throne of the beast, and his kingdom was plunged into darkness; and they were gnawing their tongues out of agony, <sup>11</sup> and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores and they did not repent of their deeds.



# Revelation 16:12-13

- ◆ <sup>12</sup> And the sixth (angel) poured out his bowl upon the great river Euphrates, its water was dried up, in order to prepare the way for the kings from the rising of the sun. <sup>13</sup> And I saw (coming) out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet three unclean spirits like frogs.



# Revelation 16:14-15

- ◆ <sup>14</sup> For they are the spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole world to gather them for battle on the great day of God, the All-Powerful. <sup>15</sup> Behold, I come like a thief. Blessed is the one who remains alert and keeps his clothes, in order that he does not walk about naked and they see his shameful condition.



# Revelation 16:16

- ◆ <sup>16</sup> And they gathered them unto the place that is called in Hebrew Harmagedon.







# Revelation 16:17-18

- ◆ <sup>17</sup> And the seventh one poured out his bowl upon the air, and a great voice came out of the Temple from the throne saying, "It is done." <sup>18</sup> And there came lightening, roaring, and thunder and there was a great earthquake upon the earth, so violent was the earthquake.







# Revelation 16:19-20

- ◆ <sup>19</sup> And the great city became three parts and the cities of the nations fell. And Babylon the great was remembered before God and he gave to her the cup of the wine of his wrath. <sup>20</sup> And every island fled and mountains were not found.



# Revelation 16:21

- ◆ <sup>21</sup> And great hail, weighing a talent (just under 100 pounds) came down out of heaven upon the people, and the people blasphemed God for the plague of hail, because so great was the plague.