A STUDY OF REVELATION

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<u>16</u> And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

<u>17</u> And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

<u>18</u> And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

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Scriptural Introduction

<u>Rev. 1:19</u> Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

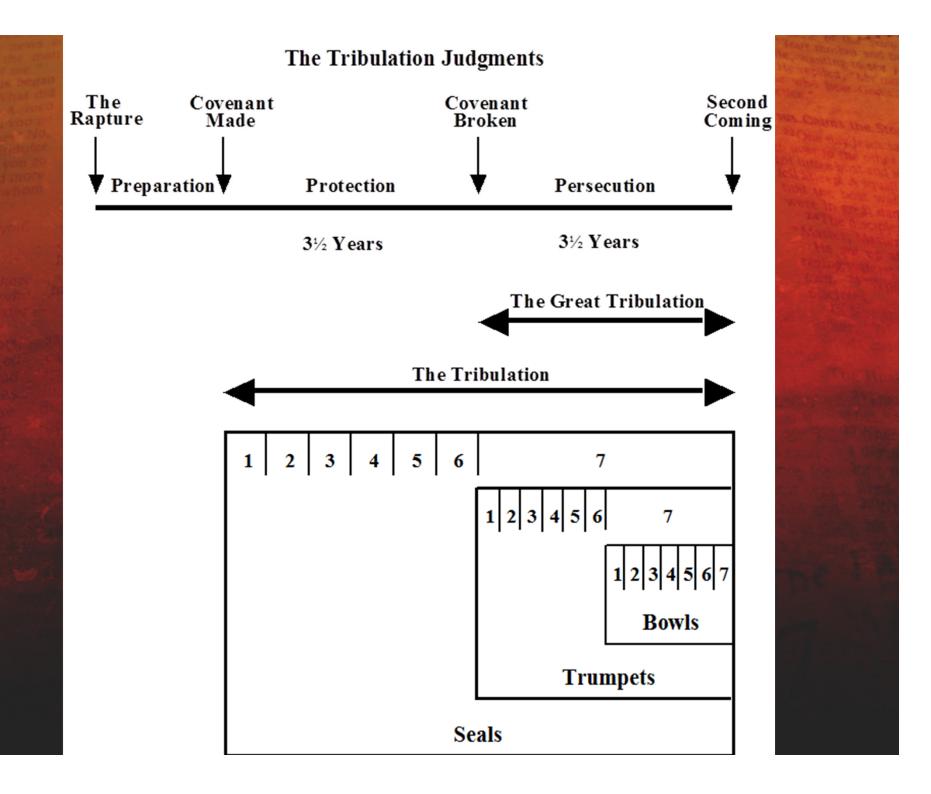
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(2) The Proclamation Concerning Babylon, 14:8

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(3) The Proclamation Concerning the Beast, 14:9-13

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poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: <u>11</u> And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

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<u>Rev. 14:10</u> The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: Jer. 25:15 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

<u>Isa. 51:17</u> Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, and wrung them out.

<u>Rom. 11:22</u> Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

<u>Gen. 19:24</u> Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

<u>Isa. 34:8</u> For *it is* **the day of the LORD'S vengeance**, and the year of recompences for the controversy of Zion.

<u>9</u> And the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.

<u>10</u> It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

<u>Rev. 14:11</u> And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

<u>Rev. 19:20</u> And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. <u>Rev. 20:10</u> And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

<u>Mt. 25:30</u> And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ... 41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me,

ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

<u>46</u> And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

<u>Jude 1:13</u> Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is **reserved the blackness of darkness for ever**.

<u>2 Pet. 2:17</u> These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

<u>Dan 12:2</u> And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

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(1) The Golden Harvest, 14:14-16

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<u>14</u> And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

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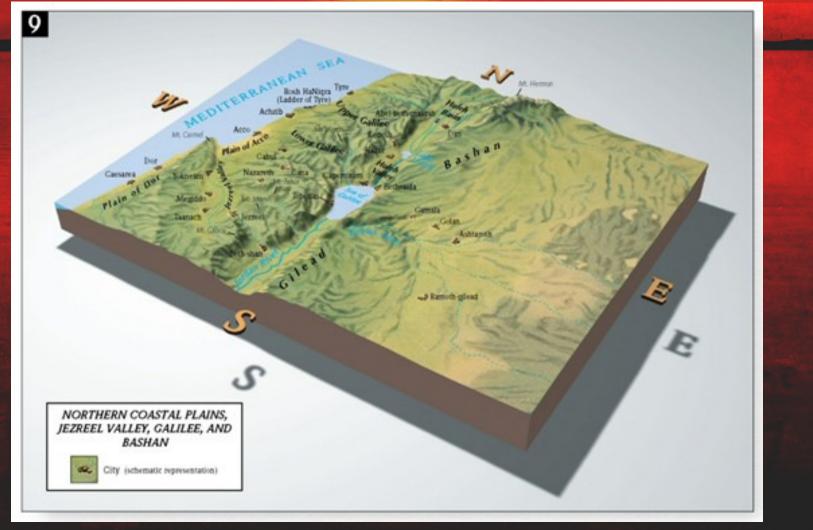
(2) The Gory Vintage, 14:17-20

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<u>Joel 3:12</u> Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about. <u>13</u> **Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe**: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; **for their wickedness** *is* **great**. <u>14</u> Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD *is* near in the valley of decision. Zech. 14:4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which *is* before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, *and there shall be* a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

<u>Rev. 11:2</u> But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty *and* two months.

How many gallons of blood would it take to cover a distance of 200 miles long, by 5 feet wide, with an average depth of 3 feet?

L = 200 miles x 5280 feet (200 miles long) = 1,056,000 feet W = 5 feet (wide) H = 3 feet (deep) Thus, 1,056,000 feet x 5 feet x 3 feet = 15,840,000 cu. ft. 15,840,000 divided by 1.5 gal. of blood = 10,560,000 men (or 13,200,000 women)

<u>Conclusion</u>

<u>Nah. 1:2</u> God *is* jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and *is* furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth *wrath* for his enemies.

<u>3</u> The LORD *is* slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit *the wicked*: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds *are* the dust of his feet.

<u>4</u> He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein. 6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.