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LESSON ONE

Revelation Five through Eleven

THIS LESSON INCORPORATES The following located in the Appendix:
Observation Worksheets of Revelation 5–11
“The Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls” timeline

The disciples were eager to know not only when the temple would be destroyed but also what the sign of the Lord’s coming and of the end of the age would be (Matthew 24:3).

Jesus didn’t leave His servants groping in the dark. Before He went to Calvary, He laid out the event sequence preceding His coming.

But these “Olivet discourses” were not all He said regarding His coming. He gave the Apostle John (exiled on the island of Patmos) an unparalleled revelation of “things which must soon take place.” This Revelation was for the servants of the Lord Jesus Christ—words that are trustworthy and true (Revelation 22:6).

In this course we’ll begin a careful study of our Lord’s teaching regarding His coming and the end of the age—part of it given before His crucifixion and part after His ascension. When we integrate the teachings of the Gospels, we have a more thorough understanding of the signs of His coming and of the end of the age.

Study well, beloved child of God. The words of this prophecy are not sealed up, for the time is near.

DAY ONE

Your first three weeks of study will cover Revelation 5–22. This review will help you integrate the contents of Revelation with the teaching of the Gospels.

This week you’ll cover Revelation 5–11.



Revelation Part 3

Lesson 1, Revelation 5–11

1. Read Revelation 5 using your Observation Worksheet located in the Appendix. Mark references to the book (scroll) and the seals. Then in the margin of the Observation Worksheet, list what you learn about the book and its seals.
2. Read Revelation 6 using your Observation Worksheet. Once again mark the word *seal*. In the Appendix of this workbook you'll find the timeline, "The Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls." Fill in information from Revelation 6 on the first six seals. Note what happens when each seal is broken.
3. Mark anything that refers to God's wrath and note what you learn.

DAY
TWO

1. Read Revelation 7 using your Observation Worksheet. In the margin list main events that occur in this chapter. As you examine each event in light of the 5 Ws and H (who, what, when, where, why, and how), list insights in the margin of the Observation Worksheet. Then on the timeline, "The Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls," fill in the box pertaining to chapter 7.
2. Read Revelation 8. Mark references to the seals and trumpets differently. Note what you observe on the timeline "The Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls."
3. Mark the word *woe*. What did you learn about the "woes" and their relationships to the trumpets? Also note the verse(s) where you found your answer(s).

DAY
THREE

1. Read Revelation 9 using your Observation Worksheet. Mark trumpets and woes as you did yesterday. Give careful attention to the "woes" and their timing.
2. Fill in the timeline "The Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls." Make sure you note who and how many are involved in these trumpets and how long the trumpet judgment lasts. Ask the 5 Ws and H.
3. Note on the timeline when a woe is completed and which woe it is.




How are you doing, friend? If you have done the second course in our Revelation series, Unveiling the Book of Revelation, we're sure it's like renewing acquaintances with a friend. Are you surprised at how much you recall after thirteen weeks of studying these chapters? All that hard work is going to pay off, dear student of the Word.

However, if you just joined the study of Revelation at this juncture, don't be overwhelmed or discouraged. You may want to slow down a little to absorb more, but just know that although it's not possible at this point, what you're doing will be of great benefit. Although it may take a little longer and you're not as at home with the text as you'd like to be, what you're observing now will help you when we get into the Gospels. When you have time, you can go back and do Unveiling the Book of Revelation. This course is invaluable if you want to have a true plumb line on the book of Revelation.

Press on; the prize goes to those willing to study to show themselves approved to God because they handle the Word of God accurately.

DAY
FOUR

1. Read Revelation 10 and 11 using your Observation Worksheets.
 - a. Mark trumpets, when they sound, and which one is sounded.
 - b. Mark references to time. You may want to use a symbol like this: 
 - c. Mark the “woes” and note their timing.
 - d. Mark references to the *God's wrath* and note what you learn.
2. Mark *city* and list in the margin what you observe.
3. Finally, in distinctive ways mark *the temple*, references to the two witnesses, and all pronouns that refer to these.

DAY
FIVE

1. Read Revelation 11:1-14 again. In the margin of your Observation Worksheet or in the space on the following page, list the progression of events. Note references to time, who and what are connected to them, and the length of time involved.



REVELATION 5

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

THEN I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals.

2 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?”

3 And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it,

4 and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it.

5 And one of the elders said to me, “Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.”

6 And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

7 And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne.

8 And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

9 And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll
and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,



- 10 and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth.”
- 11 Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures
and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads
and thousands of thousands,
- 12 saying with a loud voice,
“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!”
- 13 And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth
and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,
“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”
- 14 And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down
and worshiped.



REVELATION 6

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

- NOW I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, “Come!”
- 2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.
 - 3 When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, “Come!”
 - 4 And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword.
 - 5 When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, “Come!” And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand.
 - 6 And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, “A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!”
 - 7 When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, “Come!”
 - 8 And I looked, and behold, a pale horse! And its rider’s name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.
 - 9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne.



- 10 They cried out with a loud voice, “O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?”
- 11 Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.
- 12 When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood,
- 13 and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale.
- 14 The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.
- 15 Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains,
- 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb,
- 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?”



REVELATION 7

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

AFTER this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, that no wind might blow on earth or sea or against any tree.

2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea,

3 saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.”

4 And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

5 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,
12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

6 12,000 from the tribe of Asher,
12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,
12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

7 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,
12,000 from the tribe of Levi,
12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

8 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,
12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,
12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

9 After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,



- 10 and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”
- 11 And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,
- 12 saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”
- 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?”
- 14 I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
- 15 “Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
- 16 “They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them,
nor any scorching heat.
- 17 “For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”



REVELATION 8

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

WHEN the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.

- 2 Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them.
- 3 And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne,
- 4 and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel.
- 5 Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.
- 6 Now the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to blow them.
- 7 The first angel blew his trumpet, and there followed hail and fire, mixed with blood, and these were thrown upon the earth. And a third of the earth was burned up, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.
- 8 The second angel blew his trumpet, and something like a great mountain, burning with fire, was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood.
- 9 A third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.
- 10 The third angel blew his trumpet, and a great star fell from heaven, blazing like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water.



- 11 The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many people died from the water, because it had been made bitter.
- 12 The fourth angel blew his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, and a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of their light might be darkened, and a third of the day might be kept from shining, and likewise a third of the night.
- 13 Then I looked, and I heard an eagle crying with a loud voice as it flew directly overhead, “Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, at the blasts of the other trumpets that the three angels are about to blow!”



REVELATION 9

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

AND the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star fallen from heaven to earth, and he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit.

- 2 He opened the shaft of the bottomless pit, and from the shaft rose smoke like the smoke of a great furnace, and the sun and the air were darkened with the smoke from the shaft.
- 3 Then from the smoke came locusts on the earth, and they were given power like the power of scorpions of the earth.
- 4 They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any green plant or any tree, but only those people who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.
- 5 They were allowed to torment them for five months, but not to kill them, and their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it stings someone.
- 6 And in those days people will seek death and will not find it. They will long to die, but death will flee from them.
- 7 In appearance the locusts were like horses prepared for battle: on their heads were what looked like crowns of gold; their faces were like human faces,
- 8 their hair like women's hair, and their teeth like lions' teeth;
- 9 they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the noise of their wings was like the noise of many chariots with horses rushing into battle.
- 10 They have tails and stings like scorpions, and their power to hurt people for five months is in their tails.
- 11 They have as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit. His name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek he is called Apollyon.



- 12** The first woe has passed; behold, two woes are still to come.
- 13** Then the sixth angel blew his trumpet, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before God,
- 14** saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, “Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.”
- 15** So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour, the day, the month, and the year, were released to kill a third of mankind.
- 16** The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand; I heard their number.
- 17** And this is how I saw the horses in my vision and those who rode them: they wore breastplates the color of fire and of sapphire and of sulfur, and the heads of the horses were like lions’ heads, and fire and smoke and sulfur came out of their mouths.
- 18** By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed, by the fire and smoke and sulfur coming out of their mouths.
- 19** For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails, for their tails are like serpents with heads, and by means of them they wound.
- 20** The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands nor give up worshiping demons and idols of gold and silver and bronze and stone and wood, which cannot see or hear or walk,
- 21** nor did they repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.



REVELATION 10

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

- THEN** I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven, wrapped in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head, and his face was like the sun, and his legs like pillars of fire.
- 2 He had a little scroll open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea, and his left foot on the land,
- 3 and called out with a loud voice, like a lion roaring. When he called out, the seven thunders sounded.
- 4 And when the seven thunders had sounded, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Seal up what the seven thunders have said, and do not write it down.”
- 5 And the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven
- 6 and swore by him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and what is in it, the earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it, that there would be no more delay,
- 7 but that in the days of the trumpet call to be sounded by the seventh angel, the mystery of God would be fulfilled, just as he announced to his servants the prophets.
- 8 Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me again, saying, “Go, take the scroll that is open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land.”
- 9 So I went to the angel and told him to give me the little scroll. And he said to me, “Take and eat it; it will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth it will be sweet as honey.”
- 10 And I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it. It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter.
- 11 And I was told, “You must again prophesy about many peoples and nations and languages and kings.”



REVELATION 11

Observation Worksheet

Chapter Theme _____

- THEN I was given a measuring rod like a staff, and I was told, “Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship there,
- 2 but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample the holy city for forty-two months.
 - 3 “And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth.”
 - 4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth.
 - 5 And if anyone would harm them, fire pours from their mouth and consumes their foes. If anyone would harm them, this is how he is doomed to be killed.
 - 6 They have the power to shut the sky, that no rain may fall during the days of their prophesying, and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague, as often as they desire.
 - 7 And when they have finished their testimony, the beast that rises from the bottomless pit will make war on them and conquer them and kill them,
 - 8 and their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord was crucified.
 - 9 For three and a half days some from the peoples and tribes and languages and nations will gaze at their dead bodies and refuse to let them be placed in a tomb,



- 10 and those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them and make merry and exchange presents, because these two prophets had been a torment to those who dwell on the earth.
- 11 But after the three and a half days a breath of life from God entered them, and they stood up on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them.
- 12 Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here!” And they went up to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies watched them.
- 13 And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.
- 14 The second woe has passed; behold, the third woe is soon to come.
- 15 Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.”
- 16 And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God,
- 17 saying,
- “We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,
who is and who was,
for you have taken your great power
and begun to reign.
- 18 “The nations raged,
but your wrath came,
and the time for the dead to be judged,
and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints,
and those who fear your name,
both small and great,
and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.”
- 19 Then God’s temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

