

## **CHAPTER 19:**

Most scholars believe that Revelation Chapter 19 is what they call the **'GRAND FINALLY of the Seven Year Tribulation Period'**: as it contains the **'last recorded event'** within the **'Seven Year Tribulation Period'** → **'The Second Coming of Jesus Christ'**. Also, I think this chapter should be viewed as both an interlude and action chapter—with verses 1-10 being interlude and verses 11-21 being the action portion.

Now we are ready to start our study of Revelation Chapter 19, which is broken down into three primary sub-sections, which are as follows:

**1) Rev. 19:1-5**, Interlude → and is recording the general response in Heaven, because they know the **'Seven Year Tribulation Period'** has ended or is about to come to an end and Satan and his (both people and angels) have lost and → God and his (both people and angels) have won. However, verses 1-3 specifically speak about the **'Destruction'** of the **"Prostitute"**, which is the same **"Prostitute"** of Revelation Chapter 17 and was defined as **'The City of Rome—the Capital of the False Prophets One World Religious System.'** However, if you read the first 5 verses carefully—it appears to me that heaven knew that it was → God who brought judgment on the **"Prostitute"** through the actions of the **'antichrist & Ten Kings'** as stated in Revelation Chapter 17. The answer is simple → go back to Revelation Chapter 17, verse 17, **"For God has put into their hearts to accomplish His purpose by agreeing to give the beast their power to rule, until God's words are fulfilled."** Again, we see God using evil for good or we could say → to accomplish His plan/will. Also, remember **God is Omnipresent & Omnipotent.** We will talk more about these issues when will study these 5 verses.

**2) Rev. 19:6-10**, Interlude → these 5 verses record **'The Wedding Supper of the Lamb (Jesus Christ) and His Bride (the Church)'**,

**Note:** Some scholars believe that strictly from a chronological stand point, this **'Wedding'** will take place—during the **'Seven Years Period'** between the **'Rapture of the Church'** and just before the **'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'**; which is

recorded in the next 11 verse of Revelation Chapter 19.) Meaning the chronological order fits perfectly!

**3) Rev. 19:11-21**, Action → Records the 'Second Coming of Jesus Christ', concluding with the 'Battle of Armageddon'.

Again, Remember the actions described in Revelation Chapter 19 will complete the process of 'God bringing Judgment on → Satan and → his Fallen Angels, → and the People of the Earth and → Earth/Ground' During the 'Seven Year Tribulation Period' → and This Will All Be Done with the 'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'.

### **Section One → Rev. 19:1-5:**

We will now begin our detail study of Revelation Chapter 19. Remember this first section is speaking about, 'The General Response in Heaven because they know the 'Seven Year Tribulation Period' has ended or is about to end and Satan and his has lost and God and his have won', and then providing specific details about 'How Heaven is Proclaiming' → That 'God is Just in His Judgment' of the "Prostitute" and then providing the reader with specific examples of the sins of the "Prostitute".

#### **VERSE 1:**

Also, in verse 1, I believe that God is setting the stage or tone for what is to follow in the rest of Revelation Chapter 19.

**NIV:** "After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting: → 'Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God.'"

**Greek Translator:** "An after these things, I heard a great voice of a numerous crowd in Heaven, saying, → 'Hallelujah! Salvation and the glory and the honor and the power of our Lord God,"

Again, I think this chapter opens with:

**(1) 'The Heavenly Response to the End of the Seven Year Tribulation Judgment Period', and**

**(2) Heaven specifically stating that God is 'Justified in bring Judgment' of the "Prostitute", as well as, providing the reader with specific example of the 'type' of sins the "prostitute...corrupted the earth with..."**

**(3) And probably, the 'Wedding of the Lamb and His Bride (the Church), which has just taken place,**

**(4) And last, → it appears to me that → they are celebrating "Hallelujah" Just because they are in heaven, and is what they do!**

I will break this verse down to make it easier to understand, as follows:

**Sub-Set One → Heaven is Identified:**

**"After this → I heard what sounded 'LIKE' → the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting..."**

**Verse 1a: NIV, "After this..." "After these things..."** To me there is no question that God through John's words is letting the reader know that this is the next thing John is seeing in his vision. Also keep in mind the last time John used this type of language was Rev. 18: 1, **"After this..." "And after these things..."** the exact same language, which was introducing the **'Destruction of Babylon—the Great City, and the Head of the One World Government/Economic/Religious—System'** → just after Revelation Chapter 17, which talked about the **'Destruction of the Capital City (Rome) of the One World Babylonian Religious System'**.

**Verse 1b: "...I heard what sounded LIKE..." "...I heard a great voice..."** I think the first thing we need to notice in the NIV translation is the word **"like"**, which normally indicates that what we are going to **"hear"** is not the actual **"sound"** but something similar that the people living during the time of John's and throughout all time periods would understand. However, in this case I do not think that would be true: and that is why I think the Greek Translator **"...I heard a great voice..."**

does a better job of conveying the actual meaning within these words. Again, just my opinion!

**Verse 1c:** “...the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting...” “...of a numerous crowd in Heaven, saying...” To me these two translations convey the same meaning →

**(1) ‘All of Heaven (both angels and saved souls) are Celebrating the End of Gods Judgment Period on Earth & the Fact that Satan and his will no longer be able to ‘Influence & Harm’ any of Gods Creations → DURING THE SEVEN YEAR TRIBULATION PERIOD’.** Not to include the period coming directly after the **Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ** when Satan will be released to tempt the people of the earth to again **‘Rebel against God’**. See Rev. 20: 7-10

**(2) And celebrating that God is ‘Justified’ in His judgment of the “Prostitute”, ‘And Her Followers’, which at this point could either be humans or fallen angels.**

Then in the next several verses they provide specific examples of these sins.

**Sub-Set Two → Gods Authority and Justification is Validated and the Prostitutes Sin is Identified:**

**Gods Authority and Justification is Validated:**

**Verse 1d:** “Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God.” “Hallelujah! The salvation and the glory and the honor and the power of our God” Again, to me both of these translations convey the same meaning. The first word in both is “Hallelujah!” (Meaning → **‘used to express praise, joy and thanksgiving’**), which I think, actually sets the tone for the rest of the words within this section: “Salvation and glory and power belong to our God.” Keep in mind this **‘Expression of Praise, Joy and Thanksgiving’** is being done by **‘All That Reside in Heaven (Human & Angel)’**. What a great vindication this will be for all saints but especially for the **‘Saints Martyred during the Seven Year Tribulation Period’**. No wonder there is so much **‘Shouting in Heaven!’**

NOTE: Remember the **'Request of the Martyred Saints'** in the **'Fifth Seal Judgment'**, **"When he opened the 'Fifth Seal', I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony that they had maintained. → They called out in a loud voice, → 'How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?'"** Sounds a lot like the same group **'Speaking—Celebrating—Hallelujah'**.

The other thing I would like to point out about verse 1d is: Notice the last two words of this verse, **"...our God"**. These saints are **'Proclaiming'** to all that will hear → that the **'God of Creation' is 'THEIR GOD'** → **"...sounded like the roar of a great multitude..."** or **"... a great voice of a numerous crowd..."** **Again, what a time to be ALIVE—in Jesus Christ for all of eternity**

**Note:** I think the other point worth mentioning is: Many people all down throughout the history of the world have talked about → **How God has been and still is not being fair because He/God has allowed the evil & sinful people of the earth to go unpunished and even flourish, while many 'Saved People' to be harmed by these 'Evil People'!** I will provide three reasons why I believe God has allowed this to happen on earth for so long, which are as follows:

**1)** The God of Creation has an extreme **LOVE for all of His/Gods** created beings, and **His/Gods Desire** is that **'Every Person Who has Ever Been Born (Created) Would REPENT and be SAVED, before they DIE'**. I think John 3:16 is a good example of just how much LOVE God has for His Creation, **"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."** Given this is Gods desire, I think, He-God has determined , **'Not to Judge-Death any one until they Knowingly Refuse the Holy Spirt for the Final Time'** → I believe that this **'Promise'** is limited to the New Testament Period and is not 100% true for the Old Testament Period. Again, just my opinion.

**2)** God has proven that He is also **'Long Suffering and Is Also a Patience God'** and wants to give all people **'A Lot of Time to BELIEVE Before They Die'**. 2 Peter, 3:9, **"The Lod is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is**

patient with you , not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."

**3)** Many time God uses the evil of this world to judge. The history of Israel would be a good example of this:

**a)** At the death of Solomon (967 BC) Israel was split into two parts (10 northern tribes, known as Israel and two southern tribes, known as Judah).

**b)** During the following time period the 10 northern tribes had 20 kings, all evil and ungodly. In my opinion God allowed this evil to go on in Israel (from 967 to 722 BC) for 245 years at which time He judged Israel with the very evil nation of Assyria.

If you go back and read the Bibles account of this time period I think you will find two mistakes that the people of Israel made:

**One:** they believed that they were Gods chosen nation and He would never **'Harm/Judge'** them,

**Two:** they came to a place where they did not care about God and just how **'Holy He Really Is'**!

**c)** Also, following the death of Solomon the 2 southern tribes—Judah, also had 20 kings (from 967 to 586 BC) or 381 years: ~14 evil, 3 somewhat evil and 3 good **(Loyal to God)**. In my opinion God allowed Judah to exist longer, 381 years, because they did have a few good/godly kings. However, after 381 years God also brought **'Judgment'** on **'Judah'** because of the over whelming evil in their land. This time it was the **'Babylon Empire'** that brought destruction/judgment on Judah—the two southern tribes.

**d)** However, the story of **'God Bring Judgment'** does not stop there. I will explain how God always brings His judgment on **'The Evil'** that existed within the world during this time period.

**Step One →** Remember, God used Assyria to judge Israel (10 northern tribes) in 722 BC.

**Step Two** → However, because of their (Assyria's) evil He/God then uses the **'Babylonian Empire'** to judge the Assyrians in 610 BC.

**Step Three** → I think the way to say this would be God was using evil (Assyria) to judge Israel (the 10 northern tribes) for their evil and then using the **'Evil Babylonian Empire'** to judge the **'Evil Assyrian Empire'** for their **'general evil'** and **for harming His People—Israel.**

**Step Four** → God now uses the **'Babylonian Empire'** to judge the 2 southern tribes—Judah for their evil in 586 BC.

**Step Five** → Now God use the **'Medes & Persians Empire'** to judge the evil **'Babylonian Empire'** in 530 BC.

**Step Six Until Today** → I will not go through all of the **'Steps in History'**, but if you did you will find that God continuously uses both—evil & good to judge evil, as well as, He/God will also use evil to judge good (His People) when they sins and refuses to repent and return to Him. I am sure based on the actions of America today, they are **'Dead Center of Gods Cross Hairs'**.

Again, I think verse 1 really, really set the stage or tone for what is to come in the rest of Revelation Chapter 19!

**Verse 2:** NIV **"...for true and just are His judgments. → He has condemned the great prostitute → who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. → He has avenged on her the blood of His servants."** Greek Translator **"For true and righteous are His judgments, because → He judged the great harlot → who defiled the earth with her fornication. → And He avenges the blood of His slaves out of her hand."**

Again, I have quoted both translations as I believe each will help clarify the meaning of this verse. And again I will break this verse down into its basic sub-sets, which are as follows:

**Verse 2a:** **Note:** keep in mind when reading verse 2a, it is actually the ending of verse 1 and should be included within that concept. It appears to reaffirm the words within the first part of verse 1.

I will use the **Greek Translator** in this section because I like the words used—better, no real difference, **“For true and righteous are His judgments, because...”** To me these words make it very clear that **‘all of heaven’** is stating → that God is **“true and righteous”** or **“true and justified”** → in **“All of His Judgments”** on the **“Prostitute”** with a special focus on → **‘Rome, O Great Capital City of the One World—Religious System’** as well as, the entire unsaved population of the earth.

I view this as **‘Heaven’** stating that → **‘The God of Creation’** is **‘Correct in His Decision to Bring Judgment on the ‘False Prophet and his One World ‘FALSE’ Religious System’** and specifically on **‘Rome the Capital City of this System’** for the **‘Many Sins’** that it brought into and forced on the people of the Earth. Also, I believe that their **‘Justification’** is based on the words within the **‘Holy Bible’**, in which Gods provides man with three specific pieces of information:

1) **God defines for man → Who He is,**

2) **God defines for man, how He wants man to live,**

3) **God defines for man what the ramifications will be if man ‘Rebels or Sins’ against Gods rules. Note:** The information found in the Bible is not limited to these three pieces of information.

Now God ends this section with the word **“because”**, which I think God put in, to put all readers on notice that what is to follow is talking about some of the specific sins that the **“prostitute”** was involved in with the people of the earth. Note: the word **“because”** is not in the NIV translation.

**Verse 2b:** I will quote both translations: NIV, **“He/God has condemned the great prostitute...”** Greek translator, **“He/God judged the great harlot...”** I will use words from both translations to help clarify what I believe God is trying to convey to the reader, however, I will focus on the Greek Translator, translation

because I like the **'Flow of the Through Process Better'** → I will explain. Remember, in verse 2a I said I like the Greek Translator, translation better because it included the word **"because"**, which I think clarifies the meaning of verse 2b, as follows: **"For true and righteous (just) are His judgments"** → **because** → **He judged condemned the great harlot"** To me this is a Key Biblical Concept that speaks to the core of the **'Gospel of Jesus Christ—Salvation through Repentance'** → I will explain, as follows:

**1)** The God (trinity) of Creation is a Holy God and there is no other like Him,  
**2)** When God created the heavens and the earth and all the **'Heavenly and Earthly Being'** that lived within them → He clearly provided His created being with the rules that He would use to evaluate—judges them. He/God did not have to do this (much like Allah) because He is God and there is no one greater who could make Him. However, He/God did it because of whom: He/God is → **HOLY: "...true and righteous..."** And He-God, loves all of His created beings → both Heavenly & Earthly and do not & does not want any to perish.

**3)** However, based on the **'Fact'** that He/God is **"true and righteous"** He/God must bring **"His Judgment..."** on all who **'rebel and do not follow His rules'**. Meaning He is required by **His Own Rules** to **'Discipline—Bring judgment'** on His created being that break His **'Rules—Laws, Commands and Decrees'** **"because"** if He did not He/God would be breaking His own **'Rules'**, which He will/cannot do, because He/God is **"true and righteous"**, which is by definition **'Who God Is—Holy—True and Righteous.** I think this same concept is part of why Abraham and all of the people who were saved, prior to the **'birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ'** was because of their **'Faith in God'** → and because **'Their Faith'** was converted into **'Salvation at the Resurrection of Jesus Christ'**. The Bible tells us in Romans 4:3b, **"Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."** Again, this **"credit"** was paid with the blood of Jesus Christ, because if it had not been, then God would not be a **"true and righteous"**—Holy God and would have had to **"Judge and Condemn"** all men prior to the time of Jesus Christ resurrection. Remember, at the resurrection of Jesus Christ a

**'Spiritual Explosion'** happen, which when back in time and **'Paid for the Sin'** of all people saved up until that moment and also went forward to **'Pay for the Sins of All Future People'** who **Repented and Placed their Faith in the Blood of Jesus Christ'**.

4) Therefore, He/God must → **"He judged (condemned) the great harlot"** for **"Her"** sins **'that she has refused to repent of'**, as well as, all of the **'Harm'** that she has brought on the rest of God's Creation.

### **Verse 2c:**

In the next part of this verse God; now begins to list two specific sins of the **"great prostitute/harlot"**.

(First Sin Defined) **"...who defiled the earth with her fornication?"** also, **"...who corrupted the earth with her adulteries."**

(Second Sin Defined) **"And He/God avenged the blood of His/God slaves out of her hands"**, also **"He/God has avenged on her the blood of His/God servants."** "

I define the words, **"fornication"** & **adulteries"** as follows: **'A breach in their relationship with the God of Creation for a relationship with a false god, who is a god of nothing'**.

I will provide verses that I believe clarify the extent of the **'Influence & Harm'** that the **"great prostitute/harlot"** brought on the people of the earth. I will list some of what I believe are the more revealing verses, as follows:

1) Verses from Revelation Chapter 13, verse 12b, **"...and made the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast..."**, verse 14b, **"He ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast..."**, verse 15, **"He was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that it could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed."**, verse 16-17, **"He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name."**

2) Verses from Revelation Chapter 17, Verse 2, “With her the kings of the earth committed adultery and the earth was intoxicated with the wine of her adulteries.” Verse 4, “The woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and was glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls. She held a golden cup in her hand, filled with abominable things and the filth of her adulteries.” Verse 6, “I saw that the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of those who bore the testimony of Jesus Christ.”

**NOTE:**

1) The first sin defined above during this seven year period will actually lead **‘BILLIONS’** straight to **‘Spiritual Death → The Lake of Fire for All of Eternity’**. To me this type of wide spread sin, by these people, which will affect billions of people, will surely bring a very harsh judgment from God. I cannot even imagine how awful this judgement will be for the leaders of this **‘false religion’**.

2) The second sin defined above speaks to the issue of **‘How Many of Gods Saints’ will be Killed by → this false religion during this seven year period.** And again this wanton disrespect for the lives of Gods Saints will bring a harsh judgment by God.

I am not sure why listed these two specific sins in this section but if you think about them the outcome will be exactly opposite:

**Sin One:** The **‘un-saved’** will all **physically die** at the end of the seven year tribulation period and at the **‘Great White Throne Judgement’** will **‘spiritually die’** be sent to the **‘Lake of Fire’** for all of eternity.

**Sin Two:** The **‘un-saved’** will receive the same judgment as for **‘Sin One’**, however, the saints who have been martyred, meaning **‘physically killed’** but **‘spiritually spend eternity in heaven with God’** → **So who do you think came out ahead on this event?**

**Verse 3:** NIV, “And again they shouted: ‘Hallelujah’! The smoke from her goes up for ever and ever.” Greek Translator, “And secondly they said, Hallelujah. Also her smoke goes up forever and ever.”

In verse 3a, **“And again they shouted: ‘Hallelujah!’”** John appears to revert back to describing the re-action of heaven to this/these events, as recorded in verse 1. I believe my opinion is confirmed by the words **“...again they shouted...”** and **“...secondly they said...”** To me it appears that this is heaven re-stating what they have already said in verse 1. **Note:** When God re-states something twice; take notice as it is important.

As I stated in our discussion of verse 1 of this chapter I believe that verse 1-5 speak to the issue of **‘Heaven Rejoicing’** because of:

1) They (heaven) know the **‘Seven Year Tribulation Period’** has ended or is about to come to an end and Satan and his have lost and God and his have won.

2) And the beings in heaven specifically speak about the **‘Destruction’** of the **“Prostitute”**, which is the same **“Prostitute”** of Revelation Chapter 17 and was defined as **‘The City of Rome—the Capital of the False Prophets One World Religious System.’** Again, we see God using evil for good or we could say → to accomplish His plan/will. Also, remember **God is Omnipresent & Omnipotent.** Many scholars do not offer an opinion on this verse: That being said I believe this verse has two meaning, which are as follows:

**1) A short term meaning, which is: ‘At the moment of the Destruction of—Rome, The Capital City of the One World Religious System’ and all the people who were unsaved and resided within it were immediately condemned to the ‘Lake of Fire’ for all of eternity’.**

**2) A long term meaning, which is: ‘God completed His promise to Humanity or we could say ‘Made Good on His Word’, that He would be the ‘Final Judge’ of ‘Un-repentant Sinners’.** I like this verse because it was written in about 1,450 BC, Deut. 32: 34-38, **“Have I not kept this in reserve and sealed it in my vault? It is mind to avenge; I will repay. In due time their foot will slip; their day of disaster is near and their doom rushes upon them. The Lord will judge His people and have compassion on His servants when He sees their strength is gone and no one is left, slave or free. He will say; ‘Now where are their gods, the rock they took refuge in, the gods who ate the fat of their sacrifices and drank the wine of**

**their drink offerings. Let them rise up to help you! Let them give you shelter!"**

This same concept was repeated by Paul in Romans 12:19, **"Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: 'It is mine to avenge; I will repay', says the Lord."**

Again, I think heaven's rejoicing because God is making good on both of the issues I stated in verse 1:

1) Short term—**Destruction of Rome, Capital City of One World Religious System** and

2) Long term—**Completion of His judgment on Satan and sin on this earth.**

**Verse 3b,** NIV, **"The smoke of her goes up for ever and ever."** Greek Translator, **"Also, her smoke goes up for ever and ever."** Most scholars believe that these words speak about the issue of the destruction of **'Rome, the Capital City of the One World Religious System'**, which is correct, however, I believe it carries a **'Secondary Meaning'** → I believe it also means → When Satan, the antichrist and False Prophet plus the unsaved people of the earth die, they will be thrown into the **'Lake of Fire'** and will burn for all eternity— **"...for ever and ever."** Again, just my opinion!

**Verse 4:** NIV, **"The twenty four elders and four living creatures fell down and worshiped God, → who was seated on the throne, 'And they cried: 'Amen, Hallelujah!'."** Greek Translator, **"And the twenty four elders, and the four living creatures fell down and → worshiped God sitting on the throne; saying, 'Amen! Hallelujah!'"**

To me this verse simply provides the reader with a glimpse of what is going on in heaven at this point in time. I will break it in to what I believe are its two basic sub-sets, which are as follows: using NIV,

**1) "The twenty four elders and four living creatures fell down and worshiped God..."** To me there is no question that what we are seeing is **'Two Specific groups within Heaven—Worshiping God for His 'Righteous Judgment of Un-Repentant Sin'.**

a) Most scholars believe that the **'twenty four elders'** represent: the **'twelve tribes of Israel'** and the **'twelve apostles'** (see Rev. 4:4, 9 and Revelation Chapter 21) and

b) and the **"four living creatures"** are **'heavenly being'** also seen in Rev. 4:6b-9)

2) **"...who was seated on His throne..."** I am not exactly sure why God put these words in, however, if I were to guess it would be:

a) To demonstrate to all of creation, His **'Authority'— "THRONE"**,

b) To demonstrate to all of creation that, **He/God was Implementing these Judgments.**

3) **"And they cried: 'Amen, Hallelujah'!"** To me this is just another reaffirmation of what heaven stated in verse 1, **"After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting: 'Hallelujah'!"**

Also, notice that this is the second time in this section that **'Worship & Praise—Hallelujah'** has been offered or done by heaven for Gods actions of judgment.

**Verse 5:** NIV, **"Then a voice came from the throne, saying: → 'Praise our God, all you His servants, → you who fear Him, both small and great'!"** Greek Translator, **"And a voice came out from the throne, saying, → 'Praise our God, all His slaves, and → the ones fearing Him, the small and the great'."**

This section closes with what appears to be **'A Second Speaker' "voice"** coming from heaven, which is **'Commending—all of Gods Saints'** for **"Praising our God..."**. Most scholars believe that this **"voice"** is Jesus Christ although some believe that it is just **'Another Mighty Angel'**. I am not sure it really makes any difference if it is **'Jesus Christ or Another Mighty Angel'** as the meaning or outcome is actually the same.

However, if you go back to Rev. 4:8-11 you will see that this is somewhat common place for heaven to speak this way, **"Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around even under his wings. Day and**

night they never stop saying: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.' When ever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, the twenty four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and worships Him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say: 'You are worthy our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being (exist)'."

However, my personal opinion is that it is 'Jesus Christ'. My reasoning is simple:

**1)** The "...voice came from the throne..." it did not say it came from the 'throne room of God', which could mean, it was possible that it could be just 'Another Mighty Angel', which surrounds the 'Throne of God' 24/7!

**2)** Again, the "...voice came from the throne..." which to me means it had to be spoken by one of the three components of 'The Triune God-Head' as I do not think anyone else in heaven would actually sit on the "throne". To me this meant it would have to be either: God the Father or God the Son (Jesus Christ) or God the Holy Spirit.

**3)** Also, based on the words, "Praise our God, all you His servants..." with a special focus on the words, "Praise our God..." I believe that the speaker is Jesus Christ. My reasoning is simple:

**First**, we know that it has to be one of the 'Triune God Head' because it appears that the being doing the talking is 'on or sitting on the throne';

**Second**, It does not appear to be God because of the words "Praise OUR God..." with a special focus on the word "...our God..." which to me means that the one speaking is including himself in the group of "...all you His servants." You ask, 'How can this be?' → Jesus Christ is back in heaven and is sitting at the right hand of God the Father', which is correct. However, remember I have said before that each member of the 'Triune God Head' play different parts during different period of time and now Jesus Christ is still playing "God the Son" part just like He did when He was on earth—Remember He/Jesus Christ will return to earth to

**'Reclaim the Earth/Creation and Rule it for 1,000 years for God the Father'.**

Therefore, He will still be playing the role of **"God the Son"** for at least 1,000 more years, which to me means He/Jesus Christ will continue to refer to God the Father as His God. I like these verses: John 6:38, **"For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of Him who sent me."** Again, I think at this point in time Jesus Christ is still functioning as the **"Son"** who is doing the will of His Father. And again just my opinion!

Also, I can find nowhere in scripture that would lead me to think this **"voice"** would be that of the **'Holy Spirit'**.

**Section Two:**

Now we begin the **'Second Section'** of chapter 19—verses 6-10, which should be considered an Interlude Section → these 5 verses record **'The Wedding Supper of the Lamb (Jesus Christ) and His Bride (the Church)'**,

**Note:** Strictly from a chronological stand point, the **'Wedding Supper of the Lamb (Jesus Christ) and His Bride (the Church)'** would have to take place—between the time of the **'Rapture of the Church'** and before the **'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'**, which is also recorded in the very next verses, 11-21, of Revelation Chapter 19. Again, the chronological order of events as recorded in Revelation—fits perfectly! I will quote all 5 verses to begin with to make it easier to understand this entire section, Rev. 19:6-10.

**Verse 6, "Then I heard → what sounded → (1) LIKE a great multitude, → (2) LIKE the roar of rushing waters → (3) and LIKE loud peals of thunder, → shouting: 'Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.'"**

**Verse 7, "Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory! → For the wedding of the Lamb has come, → and His bride has made herself ready."**

**Verse 8, "Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear.' (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)"**

**Verse 9, “Then the angel said to me, → ‘Write: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!’ → And he added, ‘These are the true words of God’.”**

**Verse 10, “At this I feel at his feet to worship him. → But he said to me, ‘Do not do it! → I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers → who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! → For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy’.”**

Before, we begin I would like to say, I think these words describe the event that all saved people have been waiting for—since they were saved. Also, this would include everyone who has been saved since the time of Pentecost until the **‘Second Coming of Jesus Christ’**. This will truly be a great day in the life of ever Christian. If you are a participant in or one who is invited to this event you will spend all of eternity with

**1) ‘God → Jesus Christ → and the Holy Spirit → plus all of Gods Heavenly Being that did not fall with Satan’ and**

**2) All the other people who have been saved (either by credit—like Abraham or by direct faith in Jesus Christ) since the earth was created**

**3) and it will be in the ‘New Heaven, Earth and New Jerusalem’.**

**4) However, the bad news is if you are not the ‘Brides Party’ or and ‘Invitee’ to this event—‘The Wedding Supper of the Lamb and His Bride’—you are going to spend all of eternity separated from God—and in ‘The Lake of Fire’.**

Again, this will truly be the **‘Best Day in the Lives of Some People (saved people)** and it will also be the **‘Worst Day in the Lives of Some People (unsaved people)**.

Now we will begin our detailed study of this **‘Second Section’**.

**Verse 6: “Then I heard → what sounded → (1) LIKE a great multitude, → (2) LIKE the roar of rushing waters → (3) and LIKE loud peals of thunder, → (4) shouting: (5) ‘Hallelujah! (6) For our Lord God Almighty reigns.”**

**Verse 6a:** “Then I heard...” To me there is no question as to the meaning of these three words: This is the next thing John’s ‘Sees or Hears’ in his vision. This appears to be the same basic type of description that John/God uses to tell the reader that a new event or topic is being introduced, in Revelation Chapter 19:

**Event 1,** Rev. 19:1, “After this I heard...”

**Event 2,** Rev. 19:5, “Then a voice came from the throne...”

**Event 3,** Rev. 19:6, “Then I heard...” which is our verse,

**Event 4,** Rev. 19:9, “Then the angel said to me...”

**Event 5,** Rev. 19:10, “At this I fell at his feet...”

**Event 6,** Rev. 19:11, “I saw heaven standing open...”

**Event 7,** Rev. 19:17, “And I saw an angel standing in the sun...”

**Event 8,** Rev. 19:19, “Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth...”

**Verse 6b:** “...what sounded...” John is now getting ready to let us, the reader know that what is to come is ‘Symbolism’ and not actually these specific sounds. However, I think we can draw from these two words, two things:

- 1) He/John is actually hearing something,
- 2) What he is hearing is ‘Very Loud’.

**Verse 6c:** (1) “...like a great multitude, (2) like the roar of rushing water, (3) like loud peals of thunder, (4) Shouting...:”

Now in portion 6c, John provides the reader with three specific symbolic examples of what he was hearing. **Note:** Given God provides us with three specific

examples on **'What John is Hearing'** I think He/God really wants us to pay close attention to what is being said and done. Again, just my opinion!

**First Example:** **"Like a great multitude..."**

**Second Example:** **"...Like the roar of rushing waters..."**

**Third Example:** **"...and Like loud peals of thunder."**

**Fourth Example:** **"Shouting..."**

Again, I think each of these four examples provide the reader with **'Specific'** pieces of information about → **'What is to Follow'**, which is, **'The JOYFUL Noise (level of noise) that will be in heaven at the Wedding Supper between the 'Lamb and His Bride—the Church'.**

I will provide information on each, as follows:

**First Example:** **"Like a great multitude..."** To me this is re-confirming the **number** of heavenly being and save people that will be attending this Event. Remember verse 1 of this chapter started off with the words, **"After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven, shouting..."** I also like this one, Rev. 7:9, **"After this I looked and before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb."** Again, I think John is using the word, **"like"** in this portion of verse 6 to communicate to the reader, exactly **'How Many 'Heavenly Being and Saints'** (saved people) will be present at this event and the number is **'A LOT'**.

**Second Example:** **"...like the roar of rushing water..."** To me these words speak to the **'Volume of the Sound'** that the **"great multitude"** is making. Other scripture that validates this concept are as follows: Rev. 14:2, **"And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing water and like peals of thunder."** Rev. 1:15, **"His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace and His voice was like the sound of rushing water."** Again, speaks to the issue of **'VOLUME—LOUD'**.

**Third Example:** “...and like loud peals of thunder.” To me this portion of verse 6 speaks to two issues:

**First Issue:** To me the primary meaning of these words is ‘POWER’. If you go back and read the ‘Description of God and His Throne Room’, notice the words: Rev. 4:5, “From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder.” Rev. 11:19, “Then God’s temple in heaven was opened, and within His temple was seen the Ark of the Covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, and peals of thunder, an earthquake and a great hailstorm.” Rev. 14:2, “And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing water and like a loud peal of thunder.” Again, all of which speak to the issue that our God is the ‘Single Power Source Behind All of Creation’.

**Second Issue:** Again, meaning, ‘Loud—Volume’: everyone on the earth hears when there is “loud peal of thunder” and it happens in their specific area—This would be same concept for ‘All of the Heavenly Being which Reside in Heaven’ during this specific event.

**Forth Example:** “Shouting” In this example God does not use ‘Symbolism’, but rather a normal human word that people of all time periods would understand → “Shouting”. The meaning of this word from the Webster’s Dictionary is as follows: 1) ‘a loud cry or call’, 2) ‘to command attention as if by shouting’, which is actually what God trying to get across to the reader about the “sound” that John is hearing and it is from all of Heaven.

**Verse 6d:** “Hallelujah!” Again, meaning ‘Worship & Praise’. If you go back and read the first 6 verses in Revelation Chapter 19 you will find the word “Hallelujah” is used each time heaven is about to ‘Worship & Praise God’ and each time they add more specific details about ‘What God is Doing or Specific Details about His—Gods Actions’. Also, note that this is the fourth time the word “Hallelujah” has been used in the first 6 verse of Revelation Chapter 19: Rev. 19:1 & 3 & 4 and now verse 6. There appears to be a lot of ‘Worship & Praise’ going on in heaven

during this period, however, it is my opinion that this will be → **'Just a Normal Day in Heaven'**.

**Verse 6e: "For our Lord God Almighty reigns..."**

Up to this point in the Book of Revelation, we have seen God:

- 1) Provide the reader with a detailed **'Spiritual History of the Church'**, by time period,
- 2) Make good on His Promise to the Church to keep them out of the **'Seven Year Tribulation Period'** → the **Rapture of the Church**,
- 3) Bring 20 very **'Harsh Judgments of UN-MADE Humanity and the Earth'** (disassembling most of creation), in an effort to get them to **'Repent'**,
- 4) **Destroy Rome, the Capital City of the False Prophets, One World Religious System**, (I think Demonstrating His Authority to Judge → false religions),
- 5) **Destroy Babylon, the Capital City of the antichrist, One World Governmental—Economic System/ now Religious System**, (Again, Demonstrating His Authority to Judge),
- 6) Make good on **His promise that the church would be the bride of the Lamb**,
- 7) **Complete all unfulfilled prophecy about all of these events**, up to this point in the **'End Times Period'**,
- 8) And now in the remainder of this chapter **'Reclaim His Creation'**, with the **'Second Coming of His Son—Jesus Christ to Rule the Earth for 1,000 Years'**,
- 9) **'Complete the Judgment/Destruction of All Unsaved People left of the Earth at the 'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'**.
- 10) There is one other **Major Event** that will take place during this period, however, it is not recorded in the Book of Revelation but many Old Testament books, → **The Restoration of Israel → Spiritually**. I like the way Zachariah,

Chapters 12-14 describes this event, Zech. 13:8-9, **“In the whole land, ‘declares the Lord, ‘two thirds will be struct down and perish; yet one third will be left in it. This third I will bring into the fire; I will refine them like silver and test them like gold. They will call on My name and I will answer them’, I will say, ‘They are My people, and they will say, The Lord is our God’.”** To me this event will complete Gods last promise to His chosen people—Israel and His promise that began with Abraham.

Therefore, it is my opinion that the words **“For the Lord God Almighty reigns.”** Is an **‘Acknowledgement or Affirmation’** by heaven that there is only **‘One God and that is the God of Heaven—The God of Creation and Our God.’**

I like these verses: 1 Tim. 2:5, **“For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Jesus Christ...”** and 1 Chron. 17:20, **“There is no one like you, O Lord, and there is no God but you...”**

**Verse 7: “Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory! → For the wedding of the Lamb has come, → and His bride has made herself ready.”**

Again, I think heaven is always **‘Worshipping and Praising God in General’** for **‘Who He is and For all He has Done’**, which, again I think is just a normal day in heaven. However, I think what we are witnessing is specific **‘Worship and Praise’** for a special event→ **‘The Wedding Supper of the Lamb (Jesus Christ) and His Bride (the church)’**, which is confirmed in the next sentence of this verse.

**Verse 7a: “Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory!”**

To me this portion of verse 7 is making three specific statements about what heaven is → **‘Doing and Thinking’**, about what is to come next in heaven, as follows:

1) **“Let us rejoice...”** They are **‘rejoicing’** because the long awaited event is about ready to happen— **‘The Wedding of the Lamb to the Church’**,

2) **“...and be glad...”** Again, they are making it known that, they—all the heavenly beings are **‘glad’** that this event is finally going to take place and again God is making good on **‘His Promise to the ‘Church’**,

3) **“...and give Him glory.”** To me this last portion shifts gears and now heaven is **‘Worshiping & Praising God’** for **‘The Wedding Supper of the Lamb and His Bride, the Church’**.

The first two portions of this verse appear to me to be heaven expressing their personal feeling about this event (Wedding Supper) and in the last portion they again re-focus back to **‘Worship & Praise’ of the ‘One and Only God—the God of Heaven and Creation’**. Just my opinion!

**Verse 7b: “For the wedding of the Lamb has come, → and His bride has made herself ready”**

**Verse 7b-1: “For the wedding of the Lamb has come...”**

This is **‘The Event’** that all of verse 6 & 7b are speaking about. It is also the event the church has been waiting for, for the last 1,992 years (2,018—33+ 7) and counting. To me this will be the **‘Second Biggest Event in all of Creation’** for Christians and people of God in general; **(with the ‘Biggest’ being the ‘Birth, Perfect Life, Death, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus Christ to Heaven’)**. Now we will look at some of the specific scripture about this event: both Prophecy and statements of fact.

1) In the Old Testament this same **‘Symbolism’** (Groom, Bride and Marriage) is used to describe the relationship between God the Father and Israel: Isa. 54:5-6 & Hos. 2:19-20.

2) During the New Testament Period the relationship between God the Father and Israel remains in place → however, it is what I would consider, **‘On Hold’** as Israel was no longer faithful or in existence as a nation (physically re-formed in 1,948 AD). However, it will not **‘Become Spiritually Active’** again until just prior to

the **'End of the Seven Year Tribulation Period'**: see Zechariah Chapters 12, 13 & 14.

**3)** However, during the **'New Testament Period'** an additional **'Relationship'** was created using this same **'Symbolism'** (Groom, Bride and Marriage), except this time it was **'Symbolic'** for the **'Relationship between God the Son (Jesus Christ) and the Church (considered, Gods Saints).'**

**4)** The opportunity for a **'Saving Relationship'**, that Jesus Christ offers to men will remain in existence from the time He (Jesus Christ) → died, rose from the dead and ascended in to heaven until the end of His millennial reign (including: time of the church, time of the seven year tribulation period, and the 1,000 year reign of Jesus Christ on earth after the tribulation period.

**5)** After the millennial reign of Jesus Christ the old heaven and old earth will be destroyed by God the Father and a **'New Heaven, Earth and New Jerusalem'** will be created that will be separated from **'Evil/Sin'** for all of eternity and all of the saints in heaven will commune with God the Father and God the Son and God the Holy Spirit for all of eternity.

**Note:**

If you look at the time period from Adan & Eve to the New Heaven and New Earth and New Jerusalem I think you will notice that there has always been a **'Relationship' between God and His (Saints).**

**Creation:** Gen. 1:26, **"Then God said let us make man in our own image."**

**Adam to Noah:** Gen. 4:26b, **"At that time men began to call on the name of the Lord."**

**Noah to Abraham:** Gen. 15:6, **"Abram believed the Lord and HE/GOD credited to him as righteousness."**

**Abraham/Israel to Jesus Christ:** Gen. 22:18, **"and through your offspring all nations on the earth will be blessed (Jesus Christ) because you have obeyed Me."**

**First Coming of Jesus Christ to the Rapture of the Church:** This is the time period of the **'Church of Jesus Christ'**; see Revelation Chapters 2 & 3 for **'Time Period and Specific Details on the Church of Jesus Christ'**. Too much to quote, however, I like this verse, Eph. 2:8-9, **"For it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast."**

**The Rapture of the Church to the 'Second Coming of Jesus Christ, which will End of the Seven Year Tribulation Period:** All of this is covered in Revelation Chapters 4-19, however, what I can say is that all of these events are directed at → causing men to repent and be saved—some are but most are not → again, way too much to quote → **Rapture of the Church**, Rev. Rev. 4:1 → **The Seven Year Tribulation Period**, Rev. 4:2 to 19:21.

**The 1,000 years reign of Jesus Christ on earth:** This scripture is talking about the position of the church during the Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ, 1 Cor. 6:1-3, **"If any of you has a dispute with another, dare he take it before the ungodly for judgment instead of before the saints. Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if you are to judge the world, are you not competent to judge trivial cases? Do you not know that we will judge angels?"** and Rev. 20:4b, This scripture is talking about the martyred Tribulation Saints; **"They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years."**

I think you get the idea → there has always been a **'Strong Relationship'**, (since creation began), between the men of the earth → who **'Wanted a Relationship with their Creator'** → Meaning they were willing to abide by **'HIS RULES and NOT THEIR OWN'**.

**Verse 7b-2: "...and His bride has made herself ready..."**

This last portion of verse 7 I believe serves two purposes:

**1)** Specifically telling the reader that the **"bride** (the Church) **has made herself ready"** for this event—the **"wedding"**, and

2) I believe that it leads the reader into specific details about the **"bride"**. These specific details are **'Symbolic'**, for **(Actual Human Actions—both, Physical and Spiritual)** the words are describing her **'Physical Dress'** but are symbolic for her **'Spiritual Condition'**.

**Note:** In the transition between verses 7 & 8, → I would like for you to keep in mind one thing, which is: to focus on the specific word phrase, NIV, **"...has made herself ready..."** Greek Translator, **"...and His wife prepared herself..."** My question is → **what do these words really mean?** Again, I believe that the answer is in the **'Interpretation'** of the words in verse 8; could be some literal meaning given a wedding is something humans have some knowledge of but would need to be applied based on something deeper → **'Spiritual or Scriptural Meaning'**.

3) There are scholars who believe that these specific words **"...has made herself ready..."** or **"...and His wife prepared herself..."** are talking about a multi—step process, that all **'saved people during the church age'** will go through to get to this point, in their existence → **'The Wedding of the Groom (Jesus) and the Bride (the Church)'**.

**Step One → Occurs on Earth:**

While you are living on this earth, you **'repent of your sins and accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior'**; now your name is recorded in the **'Book of Life'** in heaven, Rev. 20:12c, **"Another book was opened, which is the book of life."** & 20:15, **"If anyone's name was not written in the life, he will be thrown into the lake of fire."** When you do this you ensure that you will spend eternity in heaven with God the Father, His Son Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, all other saved people and all of the Godly loyal angels left in heaven. John 3:16, **"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."** And John 14:6, **"Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."** And John 6:35 **"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live even though he dies; and whoever lives in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"**

### **Step Two: → Occurs on Earth:**

Also, while you (meaning ever saved person) are living on this earth, all of your actions and thoughts are recorded in the 'Books in Heaven', Rev. 20:12b, "**And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and the books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.**" This would be the same for all people; saved or unsaved.

### **Step Three: → Occurs in Heaven, after Death:**

To me 'Step Three' is actually a 'Three Event Process' which I am not exactly sure of the sequencing of these events. I will give you my opinion and you can decide for yourself based on scripture.

**First Event:** You die and your body goes into the ground—from where it came, and your 'Soul/Spirit' goes back from where it came—before God the Father, and He decides if you are going to be allowed into heaven or sent directly to a 'Holding Pen in the Lake of Fire' awaiting the 'Great White Throne Judgment'. God make's His decision based on: "**If anyone's name was not written in the book of life he will be thrown into the lake of fire.**" which happens the instant you are saved or there is '**No Record of It**' if you are not saved.

This '**First Event**' many scholars have equated to the separation of the '**Sheep & the Goats**' as described in Matt. 25:31-46.

**NOTE:** Also, if your name is written in the 'Book of Life' all God sees is the 'righteousness' of Jesus Christ and none of your sins, Romans 3:22, "**The righteousness from God come through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.**" Also, Romans 10:4, "**Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.**" Also, 2 Cor. 5:21, "**God made Him who had no sin to be sin (a sin offering) for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.**" Also, Romans 4:5, "**However, to the man who does not work but trusts in God who justifies the wicked, his faith id credited as righteousness.**"

**Second Event:** As I said in the **'First Event'** if you are unsaved you will go directly to a **'Holding Penn in the Lake of Fire'** awaiting the **'Great White Throne Judgment'** → this means you will skip the **'Second Event'** entirely. However, if you are saved you will be **'Allowed in to Heaven'**, at which time you will move directly to the **'Second Event'**.

I think the best way to look at the **'Second Event'** is that it will be **'Like'** your life time job evaluation as a Christian → and it will be held by Jesus Christ, Himself. This specific event in scripture is called the → **'Bema or Judgment Seat of Jesus Christ'**, 2 Cor. 5:10, **"For we must all appear before the judgment (bema) seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad."** (Definition of Bema: **'a tribunal—judgment seat'** & **'and official seat of a judge'**) Examples of this concept or terminology being used in other scripture: Matt. 27:19, **"While Pilate was sitting on the judges seat (Bema), his wife sent him this message: 'Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him.'"** also see John 19:13.

Jesus also references this **'Reward Concept'** in Rev. 22:12, **"Behold, I am coming soon! My REWARD is with Me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done."** I also think Jesus is referencing this concept, as well as, salvation in John 14:2-3, **"In My Father's house are many rooms; If it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am."**

Again, I think this will be the first thing to happen when a saved person enters heaven, (after they die). Also, just my opinion!

I will go through how I see this process unfolding with scripture to support. Also, keep in mind that this event has nothing to with an individual's salvation, only an evaluation of how well we followed Gods/Jesus's → Commands, Laws and Decrees while we were on the earth and based on the words in 2 Cor. 5:10, **"...whether good or bad..."** .

Again, I think this will be a very **'Specific and Detailed Personal Evaluation'** on **'our earthly use'** of **'The Gifts and Abilities and Wisdom and Personal Effort and Faith'** → **that God Provide Us while We Were on this Earth'**. I will try to break this **'Biblical Concept'** down into some kind of basic sub-sets to make it easier to understand, as follows:

**ONE:** Our **'Salvation'** is solely based on the actions (free gift) of God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ, John 3:16, **"For God so loved the world that he gave His one and only Son, that who so ever believed in Him should not perish but have eternal life."**

**TWO:** Upon this **'foundation'** (the Gospel of Jesus Christ) we all build our **'Personal Works as a Christians'**, which begin the day we are saved (repent and accept Jesus as our savior) and ends the second we die and go to heaven. 1 Cor. 3:10-11, **"By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as an expert builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ."** Meaning Jesus Christ laid the original foundation upon which we are to build upon, which is described in the **'Gospel of Jesus Christ'**, which includes → **'His/Jesus—perfect life—death—resurrection—ascension to heaven—now sitting at the right hand of God the Father'** → Meaning upon this **'Foundation'** we, **'His Saints'** will build **'His Worldly Kingdom of Saints (church/saved people)'**.

**THREE:** Next I believe Jesus Christ provides us with scripture on how He will **'Evaluate our Works—(both Christian 'good' and non-Christian Works 'bad')'** while we were on earth. 1 Cor. 3:12-15, **"If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's works. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames."** Given the **'Key Refining Component'** of these verses is defined as **"...fire..."** which is a natural or earthly destructive force that all humans would understand throughout all time periods.

Most scholars believe that this evaluation (verse) is broken into three basic sub-sets, which are as follows:

**First:** The first three building materials “...gold, silver, costly stones...” **‘would not be burnt up’** if they were to pass through “...fire...”. Therefore, when you die your works on earth defined by these three elements “...gold, silver and costly stones...” would pass through to heaven with you! Remember this **‘Bema/Judgement —Process’** has nothing to do with salvation, “...he himself will be saved...”. To the best of my knowledge the works defined as “...gold, silver, costly stones...” would be defined in the scripture, specifically as the **‘Five Crowns’**:

1) **‘Crown of Righteousness’**, 1 Tim. 4:8,

2) **‘Crown of Glory’**, 1 Peter 5:2-4,

3) **‘Crown of Life’**, Rev. 2:10,

4) **‘Incorruptible Crown’**, 1 Cor. 9:25-27,

5) **‘Crown of Rejoicing’**, 1 Thess. 2:19-20,

6) Plus any other works that do not fit into these five crowns but fall under → **‘Obeying any of Gods Laws, Command and Decrees’**. John 14:15, “If you love me, you will obey My commands.” Also verses 21 & 23

**Second:** The last three building materials “...wood, hay and straw...” **‘Would be burnt up’**, if they were to pass through “...fire...”. Therefore, when you die **‘your earthly works defined by’** → “...wood, hay and straw...” would be burnt up and lost. To me this is a very complex standard and may not be definable by men—only by God in heaven. However, I will provide one example that I believe meets this criteria: Matt. 23:23-24, **Tithing**, “Woe to you teachers of the Law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the later without leaving the former. You blind guide! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel.” To me the meaning of these verses is simple → the **‘Religious’** men of the day were more worried about how the rest of the

people viewed them and their **'Earthly Actions'** than → How God viewed their **'Earthly Actions'**. I think the other way to look at this is that their **'Heart Was With The World'** and **'NOT WITH GOD'**. Their **'Tithing'** would be lost in the **"fire"** and would not follow them to heaven, even though it was a **'Requirement of God'**; it was given with a **'FALSE or Worldly → HEART'**.

**Third:** To me the last component of this process is **'Salvation'** itself. Remember this **'Bema—Process'** has nothing to do with salvation, **"...he himself will be saved..."**.

**Basic Biblical Concept:** There is **'No Amount of HUMAN WORKS'** that a person can do on this Earth that will **'Allow Them to Attain Salvation'** → **'Salvation can ONLY be attained through 'Repentance & Belief/Faith' in the 'Shed Blood of Jesus Christ'**. Eph. 2:8-9, **"For it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourself, it is the gift of God—NOT BY WORKS, so that no one can boast."**

**Verse 8:** NIV, **"Fine linen, bright and clean, was given to her to wear: (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)"** Greek Translator, **"And it was given to her that she be clothed in fine linen, pure and bright, for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints"**

To me in this verse, God makes a number of points, which I will list below:

**Point One:** The use of the words, **"Fine linens, bright and clean..."** also, **"...that she be clothed in fine linen, pure and bright..."** is actually defined for the reader in the remaining portion of this verse: **"(Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)"** or **"...for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints."** Based on these words I do not think there can be any doubt as to the meaning of **"...fine linens, bright and clean..."**

Other scripture in Revelation that would further assist in defining the meaning of the words **"...fine linen, bright and clean..."** is as follows: This scripture describes the **'Martyred Saints Under the Altar of God'**, described during the opening of

the **'Fifth Seal Judgment'**, Rev. 6: 9-11, **"When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained. They called out in a loud voice, 'How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?' Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer until the number of their fellow servants and brothers who are to be killed as they had been was complete."**

Next, this is scripture that is describing the **'Martyred Saints'** of, what appears to be the first portion (Seal Judgment Period) of the **'Seven Year Tribulation Period'**

→ again, notice the description of their dress, Rev. 7:9b, **"They were wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands."** same event, Rev. 7:13-14, **"Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in the white robes—who are they, and where did they come from'. I answered, 'Sir, you know', And he said, 'These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb'."** Also, Rev. 4:4 is describing the dress of the 24 elders who are seated in the throne room of God, **"Surrounding the throne were twenty four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty four elders. They were dressed in white and crowns of gold on their heads."** I really like this one because I think it cuts right to the literal meaning of these words: Rev. 3:18, **"I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich, and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see."** Rev. 3:5, **"He who overcomes, will like them, be dressed in white. I will never erase his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before My Father and His angels."**

Last, and I saved the very best for last, this is the description of the **"...armies of Heaven..."** that will be with **'Him/Jesus Christ at His, Second Coming'** also

remember this **“army”** will include the church → **‘The Bride of Jesus Christ’**, (and other heavenly beings) which is exactly who we are talking about in Rev. 19:6-10, now Rev. 19:14, **“The armies of heaven were following Him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.”** Based on these scriptures I do not think there is any doubt or question, as to where the **‘Church—Bride of Jesus Christ’** received their clothing that they will be wearing at the **‘Second Coming of Jesus Christ’** to planet earth→ it was at the **‘Wedding Supper’** of the **Lamb and His Bride—The Church.** Also, I think Rev. 3:5 makes it clear why they were given this clothing. Again, just my opinion!

Other verses, Mark 9:3 & Rev. 3:4 & Matt. 17:2 & Matt. 28: 3 & Mark 16:5 & Rev. 15:6

**Point Two:** A person’s **‘Works on Earth’** or **“righteous acts”** will follow you after you die to where ever you will spend eternity, **‘Heaven’**. However, base on this I think we can also conclude that a person’s **‘Un-righteous acts’** will also follow them after death, **‘The Lake of Fire’**. (Also, see words on verse 7 above, **“...and His bride has made herself ready.”**) Based on this I have again split the meaning and what I believe to be the contra-meaning of the words **“righteous acts”** into two categories/places:

**Place One:** **Saved Human:** **“righteous acts”** you did on earth (during your physical lifetime) that was within the rules that God gave to men in **‘The Holy Bible—Gods, Law’s, Commands and Decrees’** → meaning you lived your life (at least tried) in repentance and submission to Gods will—not your own!

**Congratulation’s** → **PLACE ONE—IS HEAVEN**

**Place Two:** **Unsaved Human:** **‘Un-righteous acts’** you did on earth (during your physical lifetime) that **‘WAS NOT’** within the rules that God gave to men in **‘The Holy Bible—Gods, Law’s, Commands and Decrees’** → meaning you lived your life in **‘Total Rebellion to God and Completely Giving in to Your Sin—Nature’** as defined by God. The **‘Actions’** that these people did that sealed the deal for them was → **‘Rejecting Jesus Christ as the Son of God and His Free Gift of Salvation’**.

## Sorry → PLACE TWO IS → 'THE LAKE OF FIRE for all of ETERNITY'

**Point Three:** To me each of the translations, NIV— “righteous acts” or Greek Translator – “righteousness” speak to one issue: ‘Salvation that Only Comes Through YOUR FAITH/BELIEF in Jesus Christ’. I like this verse, Romans 3:21-23, “But now ‘righteousness’ from God, apart from the law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.”

**Verse 9:** NIV, “Then the angel said to me, → ‘Write: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb’! → And he added, ‘These are the true words of God’.” Greek Translator, “And he says to me, → ‘Write: Blessed are the ones having been called to the supper of the marriage of the Lamb’. → And he says to me. These words of God are true.”

I think this verse provides the reader with three specific pieces of information, which are all ‘Statements of Facts’, as follows:

**First Statement of Fact:** The beings “invited” or called” to attend the “wedding supper” or supper of the marriage” are consider “Blessed” – Blessed” by all of heaven, because this “blessing” is from God.

Again, to me the words within this ‘First Statement of Fact’ make it very clear that they (the invitees) are “Blessed” and we know this is true because these “Blessing” come from God (as stated in the second part of this verse).

However, the question that has been discussed by many scholars is → Who are these invitees?

**1)** Some scholars believe that the “...wedding supper” will actually take place of the earth and will last through the entire Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ and the “invitees” or called” are the Jews and Gentiles that ‘Come Out of the Seven Year Tribulation Period’ and inhabit the earth during the Millennial Reign of Jesus

Christ. To me this view does not fit the other words describing this event. Just my opinion!

**2)** There are other scholars that believe this event will take place in heaven during the 'Seven Year Tribulation Period' and the "**invitees** or **called**" are the Pre-Pentecost saints and the tribulation saints. To me this view appears to fit the other words describing this event.

**3)** Also, even though scholars do not specifically state this; I think all of heaven will also be present. Again, just my opinion

**Second Statement of Fact:** The 'Second Statement of Fact' makes it clear that these '**beings**' who have been "**invited** – **called**" to this event (wedding supper) are "**blessed**". I think the obvious reason is because → **They will be in Heaven to attend this event and will remain there for all of eternity.** I do not think a person could receive a '**Greater Blessing**', except Salvation!

**Third Statement of Fact:** The 'Third Statement of Fact' is actually the most important of the three, which is—because → "**These are the true words of God**" or "**These words of God are true.**" I cannot think of any words that could be written that would make a person more assured that some future event would actually happen as written or stated → '**Than those written by God**'.

### **SUMMARY—Verses 6-9:**

#### **Step One:**

Verse 6a, defines → Who in heaven is → '**Speaking based on the Magnitude of the Noise that is coming from Heaven**', "**Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting:**"

#### **Step Two:**

Verses 6b & 7a → Heaven is '**Worshiping and Praising God**' "**Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns; Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory!**"

### **Step Three:**

Verse 7b: → Tells the reader the event that is getting ready to happen → that is causing **'All of Heaven to Worship and Praise God'**, **"For the wedding of the Lamb has come..."** Actually all of (loyal) Heaven → and all of the Old Testament Saints → and all New Testament Saints → and all of the Tribulation Saints have been waiting for this **'One Event'** since the **'Creation of the Earth'**, because they all know that this **'One Event'** signal's the **'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'** to reclaim the earth for God the Father for 1,000 years and then **'The Destruction of BOTH—Currently Existing Creations that are 'Tainted with Sin'** and then the **'Creation of the New Heaven & Earth & New Jerusalem'** which will be **'Sin Free for Ever'**. No wonder Heaven is singing → **"Hallelujah!"** **"It is Done!"**

### **Step Four:**

Verse 7c → In verse 7b God tells us the **"...the Lamb..."** is the groom of this wedding and now verse 7c God tells us that **"...and His (the Lamb) bride has made herself ready."** Meaning **"...His (the Lambs) bride..."** which is defined by scripture as **'The Church of Jesus Christ'**, 2 Cor. 11:2b, **"I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to Him."**, which per the Holy Bible means **'she—the bride'** has been granted by God all of the **'Benefits'**, afforded the **'Bride of the Lamb'**, as detailed in the Holy Bible!

### **Step Five:**

Verse 8 → I think in verse 8, the last verse in this specific section, God simply defines for the reader → What the inter-soul of a saved person looks like, to God—when they get to heaven: **"Fine linen, bright, and clean, was given her to wear. (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)"** (As seen through the righteousness of Jesus Christ)

### **Step Six:**

Verse 9 → I think that verse 9 completes the description of this event the **"wedding supper"**, by informing the reader that **'ANYONE'** who has been

**“invited”** to this event will be **“blessed”** and we know this is **“true”** because → **‘God has said it is True’**.

To me this is a very powerful closing to this section (verses 6-9) and should make all: Pre--Pentecost saints (saved by credit/faith), Church saints and tribulation saints feel blessed/good, as they will all be present at this event; in one way or the other. And they will also remain in heaven for all of eternity.

### **Last:**

At Creation, God granted men with **‘Freewill’** to either accept Him as Creator and Obey Him or **‘Rebel’** → **‘Man Elected to Rebel’** (Adam & Eve) which separated man from God for all of Eternity → However, God sent His Son Jesus Christ in to the world to **‘Die on the Cross’** for **‘All of Men’s Sins’** → however, to receive this **‘Free Gift’** men must **‘Repent and Believe’** (do their best to live a Christ like life) → When they do this—God only sees the **‘righteousness of Jesus Christ’** and not our sins → This is **‘How God sees the Bride’ at the Wedding Supper of the Lamb’**.  
Just my opinion!

### **Verse 10:**

**NIV** **“At this I fell at his feet to worship him. → But he said to me, ‘Do not do it! → I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers → who hold to the testimony of Jesus Christ. → Worship God! → For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy’.”**

**Greek Translator** **“And I fell before his feet to worship him, → but he said to me, Behold! Stop! → I am your fellow slave, and of your brothers, → having the testimony (witness) of Jesus. → Worship God! (Actual words), To God give Worship! → For the testimony (witness) of Jesus is the spirit of Prophecy.”**

I included verse 10 in the **‘Second Section’** of this chapter; even though, it is actually the dialogue that is going on between the angel and John: after John

witnesses and writes about the event of the 'Second Section'— 'The Wedding Supper'.

Many if not most scholars do not have a lot to say about verse 10, however, I believe that within this dialogue God provides the reader with at least six specific pieces of information, which is spread across a wide spectrum of 'Topics'. I will discuss each in the order in which they were written, as follows:

**First:** "At this I fell at his feet to worship him." To me these words are describing what I would consider to be a typical human emotion of someone who is 'Excited Beyond Human Imagination', however, the Bible is very clear that we are to only worship our 'Creator—God'. (Keep in mind this is a 'Key or Cornerstone Biblical Concept' that runs from the Book of Genesis to the Book of Revelation) I think the first two commandments would certainly disqualify this type of 'worship': Ex. 20:2-6, "You shall have no other gods before Me, You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or the earth beneath or in the water below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sins of the fathers to the third generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to thousands who love me and keep My commandments." I also like Col. 2:18, "Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you for the prize."

John again makes this same mistake in Rev. 22:8, "I, John am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and seen them, I fell down to worship at his feet of the angel who had been showing them to me. But he said to me, 'Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets and all who keep the words of this book'. 'Worship God!'"

John does this same kind of thing in Rev. 1:17-19, however in this specific case John is correct in his actions, because in this case → He—John is falling at the feet of Jesus Christ: "When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead. Then He placed His right hand on me and said: 'Do not be afraid. I am the First and the

**Last. I am the Living One, I was dead and behold I am alive for ever and ever!  
And I hold the keys of death and Hades.”**

**Note:**

**Before I start I am not saying that John falls into this category.** The kind/type of person who ‘Consistently does this type of Un-repentant Sin’, I believe they would fall under this type of scripture, Romans 1: 25, **“They exchange the truth of God for a lie, and worship created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.**

Also, I think it is worth remembering the ‘Order of Information Transmission’, in the Book of Revelation. This process is laid out in Rev. 1:1-2, **“The revelation of Jesus Christ, → which God gave Him → to show His servants → what, must soon take place. → He made it known → by sending His angel to → His servant John, who testifies to everything he saw—that is the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.**

**Second:** **“But he said to me, ‘Do not do it!’”** I to me these words tell me two things about this specific angel:

**1)** Based on the quickness and intensity that he (the angel) replied to John actions, we know this angel is **‘Loyal to the God of Creation’** and

**2)** This angel knows he is a created being and not a god. Based on the way many humans have acted on this earth it would appear that many of them/us have forgotten this fact.

**Third:** **“I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers...”** These words certainly validate that this specific angel is **‘Loyal to his Creator God’** and knows he was a created being and not a god, as we stated in our **‘Second Point’**. However, I think it also has three additional points, which are as follows:

**1)** This angel is acknowledging that he is a created being— **“servant”** the same as John, **“I am a fellow servant...”** Notice he did not say or state; anything about rank or position—only **“I am a fellow servant...”** I think this also supports the angel’s reaction when John fell at his feet, see above.

2) Next the angel states → **“I am a fellow servant → with you...”** indicating to me that he, the angel, is acknowledging that he and John are in the same category or group: which is defined as **“servant”**, though we know that **‘specific beings hold specific levels of authority in heaven’**.

3) Last, the angel **‘Includes all saved people within this group’ “...your brothers...”** → this **‘group’** would include all **‘Saved People’** from the time of Adam and Eve until the end of the Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ.

**Fourth:** NIV, **“...who hold to the testimony (witness) of Jesus Christ?”** **Greek Translator, “...having the testimony (witness) of Jesus...”** I added both translations because they use slightly different language; however, the meaning is basically the same.

Before we actually analyze these words I think it is worth noting that this same **‘Concept’** is again addressed just **‘Two Words’** later in the last portion of this verse, **“For the testimony (witness) of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”** To me this says → these words must be important—pay attention!

Again, to me to correctly understand this statement we must first define what the words **“testimony and witness”** mean. The word **“testimony”**: I like this one from Webster’s Dictionary, **‘a firsthand authentication of a fact’**: also from Webster’s Dictionary, the word **“witness”**, I like these: **‘one who has personal knowledge of something’** or **‘something or someone serving as evidence’** or **‘to furnish proof of’**.

I also like to define the word **“testimony”** as **‘The Word’** and in this case → **‘The Testimony of Jesus is the Word of God—the Holy Bible’**. John 1:1-2, **“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.”** I also like these verses because that are very straight forward, 1 John 5:9-12, **“We accept man’s testimony (word), but God’s testimony (word) is greater because it is the testimony (word) of God, which has been given about His Son. Anyone who believes in the Son of God has this testimony (word) in his heart. Anyone who does not believe God has made Him out to be liar, because he has not believed the testimony (word) God has given**

about His Son. And this is the testimony (word) : God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who does not have the Son of God does not have life."

From these definitions I put together my own version:

**1) 'Firsthand authentication of a fact'** → Jesus was sent into this world, by **'God the Father'**

**2) 'one who has personal knowledge of something'** → that God the Father has offer to men a way to **'Redeem Themselves'** back to God and it would be **'Free Gift'**,

**3) 'Something or someone serving as evidence'** → Jesus life, death, resurrection and ascension to heaven accomplished this—fact,

**4) 'To furnish proof of'** → Jesus resurrection and walking on the earth for 40 days served as **'proof'** of who He was and who sent Him. Also, all of His miracles as recorded in the Bible.

I think you get the idea.

**Five: "Worship God!"** I think these words reference back to when the angel said, **"But he said to me, 'Do not do it!'"** Not sure why God put another **'thought process'** in between these two word groups. The way I interpret these two **'Through Processes'** is as follows: **"At this I fell at his feet to worship him,** (quickly the angel stopped me (John) and said) **but he said to me 'Do not do it!'** (You cannot worship created being, you can only worship the God of Creation), next saying → **'Worship God!'"** Second: **'Thought Process'**, **"I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers (created beings) who hold to the testimony of Jesus Christ..."** (Gods plan 'free gift' for the redemption of men) Again, just my opinion!

**Six: "For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."** Many scholars do not believe these words appear to fit into the context of this section. And they do seem a little out of place; however, it is my opinion that God put these words in

to provide the reader with a definition of the previous statement, "...who holds to the testimony of Jesus Christ.", again which is defined by the words "For the testimony of Jesus is → the spirit of prophecy." Now the question is what does the statement, "is the spirit of prophecy" mean? Also, remember the word "testimony" can be translated as "witness".

I have not found any scholars who provide a great deal of analysis about these words, "For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." Therefore, I will give you my opinion, as follows:

**1)** Meaning of "testimony" → 'First hand authentication of a fact' plus 'one who has personal knowledge of something' plus 'something or someone serving as evidence' plus 'to furnish proof of': combine all of these definitions with the words in the Holy Bible and the one word that I believe would describe Jesus, His teaching and His words and it would be 'TRUTH'.

**2)** Meaning of "spirit" → (my words) the 'core or essence of someone',

**3)** Meaning of "prophecy" → Webster's Dictionary: 'the inspired declaration of divine will and purpose' & 'a prediction of something to come'

### Conclusion:

The "testimony" – 'truth' of Jesus Christ through words/actions is the "spirit" = 'core/essence' of all "prophecy" – 'the inspired declaration of Gods divine will and purpose'. Again, read and make up your own mind: this is just my opinion!

### SECTION THREE:

Section Three of Revelation Chapter 19 describes 'The Second Coming of Jesus Christ' to the earth. This event was prophesied in the 'Old Testament' in a variety of places; I will quote two, Isa. 9:6-7, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Mighty God, Everlasting father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and

over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord will accomplish this.” This same subject is discussed extensively in Zechariah, Chapter 12-14; I will select specific verse to quote: Zech. 12:10, “And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on Me (Jesus), the one they have pierced and they will mourn for Him as one mourns for and only child...” and Zech. 14:2a & 3 & 4, “I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it...Then the Lord will go out and fight against those nations as He fights in the day of battle.” On that Day His (Jesus) feet will stand on the Mount of Olives.” And Zech. 14:5b, “Then the Lord my God (Jesus) will come, and all the holy ones with Him.” and Zech. 14:9, “The Lord (Jesus) will be the king over the whole earth. On that day there will be one Lord, and His name the only name.”

In Rev. 19: 11-21 God provides the reader with a variety of ‘Specific Additional Pieces of Information’ about the ‘Second Coming of Jesus Christ’ → **Note:** Keep in mind that Jesus came twice at His first coming → (first was His birth & second was His resurrection-40 days) and He will come twice at His ‘Second Coming’ → (first will be the Rapture of the Church & second will be—To Judge an Unrepentant World/The Battle of Armageddon and then for 1,000 years)—this is the second of those and actually the last and final time, Jesus Christ will set foot on physical planet earth.

I will provide a list of some of the ‘Specific Scriptural Words/Details’ that will be ‘Fulfilled or Completed’ with this one event, which are as follows:

- 1)** It is an ‘Action Event’ that provides the reader with specific details about: ‘The Second Coming of Jesus Christ and the Battle of Armageddon’,
- 2)** These verses are not ‘Interlude Verse’ but ‘Actual Judgement Verses’, on unsaved people,
- 3)** It is the ‘Event’ that ends the ‘Seven Year Tribulation Period’,

**4)** This event completes all of 'Biblical Prophecy' about the 'Second Coming of Jesus Christ', **100% correct**,

**5)** It is the 'Event' that completes 'Daniels Seventh Week' prophecy, about Israel 'Repenting and Returning to God',

**6)** This 'Event' ends the time of the gentiles,

**7)** This 'Event' completes 'God physically Re-claiming His Physical Creation',

**8)** This 'Event' begins the 'Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ on Earth',

**9)** This 'Event' ends the time God gave the people living during this seven year period to repent and be saved,

**10)** Also, keep in mind that this 'Event' is in chronological order in terms of sequencing of events during the 'Seven Year Tribulation Period', as well as the order in which the 'Book of Revelations' was written!

I think you get the idea; this is a very big 'Event or Milestone' in terms of 'Gods Plan for BOTH the Old & New → heaven and earth, both His Creations' especially if you consider that all of this was prophesied in the Holy Bible → and became **100%** true/correct.

Again, the 'Event Described' in Rev. 19:11-21, is speaking about 'The Second Coming of Jesus Christ'. However, before we begin I will write out in what I believe to be the → 'Nine Basic Sub-Topic' contained within these 11 verses. Hopefully this will make it easier to understand as we move through verses Rev. 19:11-21.

**FIRST TOPIC → Picture of Heaven:**

Verse 11a, "I saw heaven standing open and there before me..."

**SECOND TOPIC → A Physical Description of Jesus Christ:**

**Verse 11b-13**, This section is primarily devoted to 'Describing a Physical Picture of Jesus Christ', at His 'Second Coming' (note: He does not appear to be a 'Lamb'

at this coming—more prophecy fulfilled) however, it also contains several statements about His → **'Characteristics and Attributes'**, which I will segment out to make it easier to understand, **"...was a white horse, whose rider is called 'Faithful and True'. → With justice He judges and makes war. → His eyes are like blazing fire, → and on His head are many crowns. → He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself knows. → He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, → and His name is the Word of God."**

**THIRD TOPIC → Description of the Armies of Heaven:**

**Verse 14, "The armies of heaven were following Him, → riding on white horses and → dressed in fine linen, white and clean."**

**FORTH TOPIC → Defines the Reason for Jesus Christ Second Coming and Defines 'HOW HE WILL RULE':**

**Verse 15**, Keep in mind this is the **'Last Judgment of the Seven Year Tribulation Period'** on **'Un-Repentant Humanity'**, (note: this process will be repeated after the Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ on earth → different people, see Rev. 20:7-10)

**Verse 15, "Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword → with which to strike down the nations. → 'He will rule them with an iron scepter.' → He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty."** The last part of this verse references is previously referenced concept described in the words of Rev. 14:14-20, **(The Harvest of the Earth—Unsaved people)** → you need to go back and re-read it and I think it will help clarify our scripture.

**FIFTH TOPIC → Continues Describing Specific Attribute—Characteristic of Jesus Christ:**

**Verse 16**, I think this is a very important piece of information, as it answers verses 12b & 13b. **"On His robe and on His thigh → He has this name written: → 'King of Kings and Lord of Lords'."**

**SIXTH TOPIC → Two Parts: 1) And Invitation to "...the birds flying in midair..." 2) A Description of the 'Cranage' on the 'Armageddon Battlefield':**

**Verse 17-18**, to me this appears to be Gods way of providing humanity with a somewhat detailed description of the → **'Physical—Bodily Remains'** of the **'UNSAVED HUMANS'** left on the **'Armageddon Battlefield'**, that would transcend all time periods. **Note:** keep in mind that at this point in time their souls will be in; a holding area of the **'Lake of Fire'** awaiting the **'Great White Throne Judgment'**, **Verse 17** → **'The Invitation'**: **"And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, → 'Come, gather together for the great supper of God' →**

**Verse 18** → **'Primarily a Description of the Human Carnage, left on this Battlefield'**: **so that you may eat the flesh of → kings, generals and mighty men, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, small and great'.** This process (**Invitation**) will be completed at the end of verse 21, **"...and the birds gorged themselves on their flesh."**

**SEVENTH TOPIC** → **Describes Who is going to Fight—Jesus Christ and His Heavenly Army, in the Battle of Armageddon:**

**Verse 19**, To me verse 19 appears to be a **'verse'** that is somewhat out of place and should have come after verses 16, (verse 16—basically completes the described the **'Jesus & His Heavenly Armies'**); then, normally, I would think the description of the opposing armies would be described,

**Verse 19** → **"Then I saw → the beast and the kings of the earth → and their armies gathering together → to make war against the rider on the horse and His armies."** However, I think God put verses 17-18 in to provide the reader with a **'Sneak Preview'** or a **'Foretelling'** of the outcome of this battle before He—God defined the advisories of Jesus Christ and His armies. Therefore, God sent out the invitations **"...for the great supper of God..."** before the battle even begins because the **'Outcome'** has already been determined— **'By the God of Creation'**. See verse 21b

**EIGHTH TOPIC** → **Describes the Capture of the 'antichrist & False Prophet' and their Judgment:**

**Verse 20**, Is divided into three separate parts:

**Part One** → Describes the capture of the '**antichrist and false prophet**', "**But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet**

**Part Two** → Describes some of their '**Specific Sins**', **who had performed the miraculous signs on his behalf.** → **With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image.**

**Part Three** → Describes the '**Judgment**' that they will receive, **The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.**"

**NINTH TOPIC** → Describes the Capture of the '**Armies of the antichrist**' and their **Judgment**;

**Verse 21**, Again, is a two part verse:

**Part One** → Describes the '**Capture/Defeat**' and both '**Physical & Spiritual Judgment**' of the armies of the antichrist, also keep in mind this verse ties into verse 15a, "**The rest of them were killed with the sword** → **that came out of the mouth of the rider on the horse,**

**Part Two** → Completes Gods '**Invitation**' to the "**...birds flying in mid-air...**" in verses 17-18, **and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.**"

Also, I think verse 20 should be considered the '**Conclusion of the Actual Event**' that was '**Prophesied/Foreshowed/ Described**' in Rev. 14:14-20.

As you can see many of these verses are interwoven within themselves, as well as, throughout many of the other verse scattered throughout the entire Holy Bible. I hope this helps in understanding the flow of the process that God is describing → '**The Battle of Armageddon and the Physical Re-Claiming of Physical Creation**'. Also, keep in mind that there are many other prophecies, parables and words within scripture that are being fulfilled within this event. An example would be Phil. 2:9-11, "**Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the (NAME) that is above every (NAME), that at the (NAME) of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the father.**"

The reason I highlighted the word **(NAME)** in the Philippians scripture is because I

think it provides 'Additional Definition and Clarity' to how the word "**NAME**" is used in our scripture: Rev. 19:12b, "**He has a NAME written on Him that no one but He Himself knows.**" And Rev. 19:13b, "**...and His NAME is the Word of God.**" And Rev. 19:16, "**On His robe and on His thigh He has this NAME written; 'King of Kings and Lord of Lords'.**"

### **BEGIN → DETAILED ANALYSIS OF SECTION THREE:**

Now I will begin our detailed study of '**Section Three**' of Revelation Chapter 19, verses 11-21. This will be a 'Topic by Topic' breakdown, as well as, all individual sub-sets within these 'Topics'.

God through John's words is now moving from the '**Wedding of the Groom (Jesus) and the Bride (Church)**' (Rev. 19:6-10), which has just happened in heaven to the next event that will occur on earth. This event is known as '**The Second Coming of Jesus Christ—The Battle of Armageddon**', and is cover in Rev. 19:11-21.

**Verse 11:** "**I saw heaven standing open and there before me → was a white horse, → whose rider → is called Faithful and True. → With justice He judges and makes was.**"

#### **FIRST TOPIC → Picture of Heaven:**

**Verse 11a,** "**I saw heaven standing open and there before me...**"

God through John's words makes sure we know this is the beginning of a new section which we have previously defined as '**Section Three**' of chapter 19.

#### **Re-Cap:**

- 1) Rev. 19:1-5, was defined as '**Section One**', '**The Heavenly Response**', and began with the words; "**After this I heard...**"
- 2) Rev. 19:6-10, was defined as '**Section Two**', '**The Wedding of the Lamb and His Bride**', and began with the words, "**Then I heard...**"

- 3) Rev. 19:11-21, is now defined as **'Section Three', 'The Second Coming of Jesus Christ and the Battle of Armageddon'**, and begins with the words, **"I saw heaven standing open..."**

The reason that I repeated these data points is to point out that God always makes His **'words and messages'** very clear to the reader and in this case He is letting the reader know that He is changing subjects, so that there should never be any confusion?

To me these verses, 11-21, are broken up in to three basic sub-sets or topics;

**1) Verses 11-13, Introduction of Jesus Christ and some of the, 'Specific Attributes and Characteristics about Him',**

**2) Verses 14-16, Some of the 'Details about Jesus Christ Followers and His Authority and Power',**

**3) Verses 17-21, 'Some of the Details and Description of the Actual Battle of Armageddon'**

### **First Sub-Set: Verses 11-13 →**

**In verse 11a → "I saw heaven standing open and there before me..."** I believe God is providing the reader with two pieces of information, which are as follows:

**First:** I do not think there can be any question that **'The Event and at Least One of the Participants of the Next Event → That is Going to Take Place—Next' → is 'Originating' in Heaven'**.

**Second:** And John is **'looking into or observing heaven opening'** from his possession; we are not told if John is in heaven or on earth.

Also, similar words were used back in Rev. 11:19, to describe **'Heaven Being Open at the Sounding of the Seventh Trumpet Judgment', "Then god's temple in heaven was opened, and within the temple was seen the Ark of the Covenant. And there came flashes of lightening, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a great hailstorm."**

**Verse 11b, "...was a white horse, → whose rider → is called Faithful and True."**

Again, there appears to be three pieces of information within these words, which are:

**Part One of Verse 11b:** John's first description of what he was seeing is **"...a white horse..."** This specific use of words **"a white horse"** has been used down throughout history to indicate that the rider was **'a great leader'** or **'power'** or **'a great conquer'**, you get the idea!

**Examples:**

- (1) Greek mythology—Pegasus & a Unicorn were white
- (2) The Hindu savior Kalki had a white horse,
- (3) In Slavic mythology, the war and fertility god Svantovit rode a white horse,
- (4) There are also, Korean, Philippines, Vietnamese and Native American deity's that rode white horses,
- (5) Joan of Arc rode a white horse,
- (6) Napoleon rode a white horse—named, Marengo,
- (7) George Washington rode a white horse—named, Magnolia,
- (8) U. S. General U. S. Grant rode a white horse in the American civil war,
- (9) U.S. General George Patton rode a white horse—named, Favory Africa,
- (9) Saddam Hussein rode a white horse,

However, in our case I think that the word **"...white..."** would also indicate **'purity → and divinity → and holiness → and perfection → and judge → and savior, as well as, → Conqueror'**. Remember we have already discussed the concept of **"white"** when we discussed the word **"white"** as it relates to the clothing of the **'bride at the wedding of the Lamb'**, Rev. 19:8.

I think that there is also another interesting point that is worth discussing, which is, how this verse relates to the concept of → **'The Lamb that is now a King'** or the **'Difference Between the First and Second Coming'**. Obviously there are many differences but as it relates to our verse I would like to point out two specific differences

→ At Jesus **'First Coming'** He rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and at His **'Second Coming'** He will ride into Jerusalem on a **'WHITE HORSE'—Stallion**, indicating **'Power and Authority'**. Zech. 9:9 prophesied this first event, **"Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See, your King comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."** Matt. 21:4-11 also quotes Zechariah's words to describe this event. Now go back and re-read Rev. 19:11-21 and compare the difference

→ **1<sup>st</sup> time—to 'Serve & Save' → 2<sup>nd</sup> time to 'Judge and Rule'**. I think the people who took **'His Words as Fact'**, at His first coming to heart will be **VERY HAPPY** with their decision, however, I am afraid that the people who **'Rejected His Words and Offer'** will be very, very sad for a very long time.

**Part Two of Verse 11b:** Next John tells us that the **"...white horse..."** has a **"...rider..."**, and in reality, the **"rider"** is actually the most important part of this verse. I think what we need to come away with from examples 1-9 above is that humanity in general has always associated a **'Rider on a White Horse'** with a **'Great & Powerful Leader'**. Remember God always uses **'examples & words'**, **"...so that men are without excuse..."** Romans 1:20b, to describe things that men of all time periods will understand—this example is no different. Also, → **'Of all the Great Leaders'** and **'Mythological gods of old and even today'** that have ever been → **they will pale in comparison to → The rider that John is describing on this "...white horse..."** → He is **'a one of a kind being'**, **"...I am the first and I am the last, apart from Me there is no God."**, Isa. 44:6b and is so superior that the delta is unmeasurable — **'He is the God of Creation'** and **'He has come to judge the un-repentant people of the earth'**.

**Part Three of Verse 11b:** Last John tells us the most important part of the **'Characteristics & Attributes'** this **"...rider..."** possesses → **"...is called Faithful and True."**

I researched the scripture as it relates to the meaning of this statement, and what I found, I think will help us better understand these words; also I will break them apart into their two basic sub-sets, **"...faithful..."** and **"...true..."**, as defined in scripture → hear are the results:

**Sub-Set One:** The word **"...Faithful..."** is used in scripture (in three separate forms):

- 1) Is to describe God **"...Faithfulness..."** to His **'Saints'** and,
- 2) Is to describe God's **'Saints'** **"...Faithfulness..."** to God and,
- 3) Is to describe, **Jesus Christ—The Son, "...faithfulness..." to His Father's will.**

The other way to describe the three sides of this equation between God and His Creation and Son (Jesus Christ) is as follows:

- 1) God (trinity) the Creator and, Gen. 1:1,
- 2) Humanity the created, Gen. 2:7 & 22
- 3) And the Mediator—Jesus Christ, (1 Tim. 2:5, **"For there is one God and → one mediator → between God and men, → the man Jesus Christ, → who gave Himself as a ransom for all men → the testimony given in its proper time."**

which makes this **'Equation Reconcilable'** → meaning men can be **'Redeemed/Reconciled to God'**, because of the **"mediator—Jesus Christ"**.

Remember this process has been playing out since creation began!

Our verse Rev. 19:11b, **"...whose rider is called Faithful and True."** is specifically addressing and defining an important attribute of this rider, (in terms of importance to all humanity and the Reconciliation process), which is the third side of this equation.

However, to clearly understand this equation I will provide scripture that supports all three sides of the equation and the **'Part Each Will Play in the Equation'**.

There are many places within scripture that define each of the three sides of this equation: that is defined by the **'Human Concept or Word'**, **"...faithfulness..."**, however, I will only provide a few for each.

### **SIDE ONE—of the EQUATION → God the Creator:**

I will begin by listing some of the scripture that reflects **'Gods Side'** of this **'Concept or Word'** **"...faithfulness..."** for your review:

**Deut. 7:9-10, "Know therefore that the Lord your God → is God: → He is the faithful God, → keeping His covenants of love to thousands generations → of those who love Him → and keep His commandments. → But those who hate Him → He will repay to their face by destruction; → He will not be slow to repay to their face those who hate Him."** I like this verse because I think it very clearly states the three elements of Gods **'Promise/Covenant'** of **"faithfulness"** → as well as, Why He/God can make this statement, **"...the Lord your God—is God..."**!

**First Element** → **"Know therefore that the Lord your God → is God..."** To me this is a statement of fact, there is only one God and this is the one this verse is speaking about, remember Isa. 44: 6b above. Also, **'The One God'** is the only one that can **'Promise or make a Covenant in His own Name'** because there is no one greater to make a promise based on their name.

**Second Element** → **"He is the faithful God, → keeping His covenant of love to a thousand generations → of those who love Him and → keep his commandments."** To me in this one statement God lays out His **'Conditions'** for men to receive **'His Promise or Covenant of Faithfulness'**: **'Two Specific Conditions are Stated'** → 1) **"...of those who love Him..."** 2) **"...and keep His commandments."** Keep in mind when reading this section of the verse that it is the **'Positive Side of the Promise of "faithfulness"'**. Also remember what Jesus Christ said in John 14: 15, **"If you love Me, you will obey what I command."** Sounds a lot like our verse!

**Third Element** → Verse 10, **“But those who hate Him → He will repay to their face by destruction; → he will not be slow to repay to their face those who hate Him.”** To me the **‘Second Element’** above, should be viewed as the **‘Positive Side’** of Gods **‘Promise of Faithfulness’** and **‘Side Three’** should be viewed as the **‘Negative Side’** of God **‘Promise of Faithfulness’**, which in reality is a **‘Promise of Judgment’** if you are one of **“...those who hate Him/God...”**, which will cause you to spend eternity in the **‘Lake of Fire’**.

**NOTE:** I think what we need to take away from these verses is that **‘God is Always FAITHFUL to keep His Promises’**. However, we always need to keep in mind that Gods promise to humanity → **Is a Double Edged Sword—that cuts both ways!** This specific concept **‘Of a Double Edged Sword’** is exactly what Rev. 19:11-21 is talking about → **‘The Negative Side of this PROMISE’** or you could say God’s **“...faithfulness...”** to keep His word.

Based on the actions of many of the humans that have lived on the earth since its beginning, as recorded in both our secular & biblical history, it would appear that many, if not most, people have forgotten the **‘Concept of the Doubled Edged Sword and Gods Promise and — “Faithfulness”** to keep **‘His Promise’**, as stated in Deut. 7: 9-10 above and Revelation 19:11-21. **It will truly be a sad day for these people when they stand before their Maker.**

I have listed several other verses that speak to this issue, **‘Gods Faithfulness’**: Ps. 86:15 & Ps. 36:5 & Ps. 89:8 & Ps. 119:90 & Lam. 3:22-23 & 1 Cor. 1:9 & 1 Cor. 10:9 & 1 Cor. 10:13 & 2 Tess. 3:3 & Heb. 10:23 & Ps. 91:4, 1 John, 1:9 & Micah 7:18-19, you get the idea!

Also, note what Jesus Christ, Himself, states in His church to Pergamum the following; Rev. 2:12b, **“These are the words of Him who has the sharp double edged sword.”**

**SIDE TWO—of the EQUATION → Humanity the Created:**

To me the **‘Human Portion’** of this equation → the **“faithfulness”** of men to **‘God their Creator’** speaks to two things:

**1) Who is it that 'Fills the Majority of the Heart, Soul & Mind of the Person' (God or Satan or Self),**

**2) Who is it that 'Controls the MAJORITY of the Actions of the Person' (God or Satan or Self),**

My opinion is that if God fills the **'Majority of the Heart, Souls and Mind of a Person'** then **'Wanting to Stay in His Will'**, will also be the **'Controlling Factor'**, as it relates, to the **'Majority of the Persons Actions'**.

However, we all know that it is man's **'Freewill'** that determines **'How Much of all of these 'Factors' that God will be allowed to Fill or Control – by the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit'**. God will never force a human to obey Him, He/God will only **'Promise'** to be **'Faithful to His Word'** (either side of the double edged sword), based on men's freewill decision.

After thinking about this concept for a little while, I have come to the conclusion that it is not that easy to define the word **"faithfulness"** as it relates to Mans relationship to God. My logic is that God's **'Word and Actions'** are **'Well Definite and Finite and His Promises are Every Lasting'**, where mans **'Words and Actions'** are much more **'Volatile and Unreliable and can Change Over Time'**, therefore, I think God had to provide much more scripture to → **'Define for Men What He Expected from Them'**; I have listed several verse that I think try to quantify the definition of what mans **"Faithfulness"** to God should be like or look like.

**Definition of Faith—Faithfulness for Men:**

Heb. 11:1, **"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."**

Heb. 11:1, **"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that he exist and that He rewards (Gods side of the Promise) those who earnestly seek Him."**

Before we begin I found something on the inter-net that should help in setting to tone for this discussion:

## “7 Ways God will Evaluate Your Faithfulness”:

**1)** Do you possess the right values—meaning Gods Values? Prov. 28:20, **“A faithful man will be richly blessed → but one eager to get rich will not go unpunished?”**

**2)** Do you care about other people—both Spiritually and Physically? John 13:34-35, **“A new commandment I give you. Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. All men will know you are My disciples if you love one another.”** Phil. 2:4, **Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.”** Gal. 6:2, **“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.”** Prov. 21:13, **“If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered.”** Eph. 4:32, **“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one another just as Christ forgave you.”** James 1:27, **“Religion that God our father accepts as pure and faultless is this; to look after the orphans and widows in their distress and to keep one’s self from being polluted by the world.”** Others: Romans 12:10 & Gal. 6:9-10 & 1 Tim. 5:8 & Gal. 2:10 & Prov. 19:17 & Ps 35:10 & Matt. 25:40 & Prov. 28:27 & 1 Thess. 5:11, there are many more, but you get the idea → God gave us a lot of scripture explaining how He wants us to treat others.

**3)** Do you live your **‘Faith to God’** before the world → all the time? I like this one, Ps. 40:8-10, **“I desire to do your will, O my God; → your law is within my heart. → I proclaim righteousness in the great assembly; → I do not seal my lips, as you know, O Lord. → I do not hide your righteousness in my heart; → I speak of your faithfulness and salvation. → I do not conceal your love and your truth from the great assembly.”** I think this verse makes a good case of what mans **‘faithfulness’** to God should look like, however, here are some others: Luke 16:10-12 & Matt. 24:45-46 & Matt. 25:21 & 1 Cor. 4:2 & Gen. 12:1-2 & 1 Thess. 5:18 & Col. 3:17 & Phil. 4:11-13 & Ps. 30:4 & 1 Peter 1:14-16, 4:19 & James 1:12 & 2 Cor. 16:9 & Rev. 2:10

**4)** Do you keep your Promises: Primarily to God but also to other men? Prov. 20:25, **“It is a trap for a man to dedicate something rashly and only later to consider his vows.”**

5) Do you try to develop you **'Spiritual Gifts'** every day? 1 Peter 4:10, **"Each one should use whatever gifts he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms."**

6) Do you Obey God's Laws, Commands and Decrees—every day? **'God Speaking about The Example'** → 1 Sam. 2:35, **"I will raise up for Myself a faithful priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind."** **'Jesus Christ Speaking'**, **"If you love me you will obey what I command."** & verse 21, **"Whoever has My commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves Me."** & 23, **"Jesus said, 'If anyone loves Me, he will obey My teachings.'" → Key concept is OBEY**

7) Do you pass on to others, what God has taught you—**'The Great Commission'**? Matt. 28:18-20, **"Then Jesus came to them and said, → 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. → Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, → baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and → teaching them to obey ever thing I have commanded you. → And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age'."** 2 Tim. 2:2, **"And what you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrusted to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others."**

Again, the human side of this equation, to me, is more elusive to define as only one man has ever been able to completely control His **'Sin Nature'** and that man was—**'The Son of God—Jesus Christ'**.

### **SIDE THREE—of the EQUATION    The Mediator—Jesus Christ:**

**'Side Three'** of this equation is not actually a side at all; it is actually → **'What Makes this Equation Balance'**. The – **'perfect life, death, resurrection and ascension'** of Jesus Christ—**The Son of God'**, in my opinion should be viewed as the **'EQUAL MARK THAT MAKES THIS EQUATION BALANCE'**. **He—Jesus Christ is the "mediator" that 'Reconciles the Relationship Between God and Man'**.

I will list some of the verse that I think clearly defines the process of why God the Father sent His Son—Jesus Christ into the world:

**One:** Jesus was sent to be humanities → Mediator, 1 Tim. 2:5, **“For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Jesus Christ, who gave Himself as a ransom for all men...”**

**Two:** Jesus the Son did His Fathers will: John 6:38, **“For I have come down from heaven not to do My will but to do the will of Him who sent Me.”**

**Three:** God provided the Lamb—Sacrifice that would pay for all of humanities sins: John 3:16-17, **“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through Him”** 1 Tim. 1:15b, **“...Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of who I am the worst.”** Matt. 20:28, **“...just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”**

### **CONCLUSION:**

Point One above clearly states that Jesus Christ was sent by God the Father to be humanities **‘Mediator’**, between God the Father and **‘Individual Humans’**. Jesus blood made it possible for sinful humans to **‘Redeemed—Reconcile’** themselves back to God.

Next Jesus, Himself, tells us that, even though He was all God, He was going to **‘Do His Fathers Will’**, at the expense of His own life.

Then God sent His Son into the world to die for humanities sins if they will repent and be saved.

These are the reasons why Jesus Christ is called **“Faithful”** in this verse. God also repeats this concept in Revelation Chapter 1, verse 5, **“...and form Jesus Christ, who is the FAITHFUL witness, the first born from the dead , and the rulers of the kings of the earth.”**

Also, in Revelation Chapter 5 we see God the Father and heaven in general clearly state why Jesus Christ is “faithful”: verses 5-8a, “Then one of the elders said to me, ‘Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals. Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. He came and took the scroll from the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty four elders fell down before the Lamb.”

Now verses 9-10, “And they sang a new song: ‘You are WORTHY to take the scroll and to open the seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priest to serve God, and they will reign on the earth’.”

Now verses 12- & 13b, “In a loud voice they sang: ‘WORTHY is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!’ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: ‘To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praised and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever’!”

Now Rev. 3:14b makes this statement about Jesus Christ, “These are the words of the Amen, the FAITHFUL AND TRUE witness, the ruler of God’s creation.”

**Sub-Set Two:** To me scripture uses the concept of the word “...true...” also in three forms:

**1)** The ‘Word of God is TRUE/Truth-Full’ → this would include the entire Holy Bible, as it is the ‘Inspire Word of God’. **Note:** this would be by definition as He is the only God (see scripture above) and cannot lie, because if he says something it is again, by definition, “truth”, as there is no one greater. Psalm 119:160, “All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal.” Psalm 119:151, “Yet

you are near, O Lord, and all your commands are true.” John 17:17,  
“Sanctify them by the truth; your words are true.” Rev. 22:6, “The angel said to me, ‘These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show His servants the things that must soon take place’.” There are many more but you get the idea!

2) The words a man is speaking are ‘True/Truth-Full’ → To me this would include the ‘Two Sides’, of what comes out a man’s mouth:

First Side → This would be the ‘Inspired Word of God’ that He-God put in mouths of ‘Gods Prophets and Apostles and men in general’. 2 Peter, 1:20-21, “Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of scripture came about by the prophet’s own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.”

Second Side → This would be the ‘Lies’ put in to the mouths of men by Satan or even man’s deep rooted sin-nature. 1 John 4:1-6 speaks about ‘False Prophets’, focus on verse 1, “...dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirit to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.” also, Matt. 24:24, “For false Christ and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect—if that were possible.”

3) All of the ‘Words’ spoken by Jesus Christ when He walked the earth as ‘All God & All Man’: same definition as the one for God the Father. John 14:6, “Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’” 1 John 5:20, “We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know Him who is true. And we are in Him who is true—even in His Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.” And I back this verse up with this verse, John 14:9, “Jesus answered: ‘Don’t you know Me, Philip, even after I have been with you for such a long time? Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say,

**'Show us the Father'? Don't you believe that I am in the father, and the Father is in Me? The words I say to you are not just My own. Rather it is the Father, living in Me, who is doing this work'.**

**Verse 11c: "With justice → He judges and → makes war."**

The topic of Revelation Chapter 19, verses 11-21 is → God the Father sending His Son—Jesus Christ to the earth a **'Second Time'** to begin the process of **'Reclaiming His Creation & Holding His Mortal Creation Accountable'** for their **'Actions'** (both good and bad) while on this earth. However, to me these verses appear to be specifically directed at the **'Unsaved'**, as there are other places that speak about the **'Rewards and Benefits'** that **'Saved People'** will receive: 2 Cor. 5:10 & Rev. 21:5-7 & many others.

It appears to me that God put these 7 words in which, very **'Concisely Describe or Define → All of the Other Words Within—Rev. 19:11-21'**, which again appear to me to just be **'Specific Details about this Event'**.

Last, I think these 7 words have a variety of meanings; however, I will only address four, which I believe are primary to our topic:

**One:** These 7 words begin to bring to a conclusion a **'Central Concept of the Bible'**, which is **'All of Gods General Prophecy'** → The entire Bible makes it very clear to all, that this day is coming → **'The Completion of All Gods General Prophecies'**.

**Two:** I think God also put these 7 specific words in at the beginning of this section, which at the point in time when they were written, were prophecy—to let all reader know that this day would come → however, it could be avoided by all men if they would just **'Repent and be Saved—through the shed blood of Jesus Christ'**—as stated throughout the New Testament. God is always trying to make sure men—know that their actions will have **'Future Ramification'**.

**Three:** These 7 words **'Complete the Biblical Concept/Prophecy'** that Jesus Christ will come to the earth twice:

1) The **'First Time to Serve and Make Salvation Possible for All Men'** and

## 2) The 'Second Time to Judge All Unsaved People Living at This point and to Reclaim and Rule Creation'.

**Four:** I think God leads out these 7 words with the two words "With Justice..." to make sure 'All Readers' clearly understand that the 'Actions' that Jesus Christ is about to take "...He judges and makes war." are the correct application of "Justice", because 'All Men' have been warned that this day would come if they did not 'Repent and be Saved' → John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave His one and only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." Also, see Romans 1:20

To me this 'Implementation of – "Justice" is what I would call → 'God Implementing Justice for Humans who Broke His Laws' and who did not decide to 'Accept His Free Gift of Salvation'.

Other verse that speak about Jesus right to judge: Acts 10:42 & 2 Cor. 5:10 & John 5:22 & 27 & 30 & 8:15-16 & 2 Tim. 4:8 → All of these verses are to the point and Good Reading

**VERSE 12:** "His eyes are like blazing fire, and → on His head are many crowns.  
→ He has a name written on Him → that no one but He Himself knows"

I think God through John's words begins to provide the reader with three, 'Specific Physical Attributes and Characteristics about Jesus' (this list should not be considered all-inclusive but only three 'Specific Physical Attributes or Characteristics about Jesus') that are provided by God at this point in time:

**(First) → "His eyes are like blazing fire, and → POWER**

**(Second) → on His head are many crowns. → AUTHORITY**

**(Third) → He has a name written on Him → that no one but He Himself knows."**  
→ **God—Trinity.** Now I will break each of these down into their basic sub-sets:

**Part One:** **“His eyes are like blazing fire...”** John uses symbolism in these words, by using the word **“like”** to describe **‘the eyes of Jesus’** → He compares them to **“blazing fire”**. God uses these same words to describe Jesus in several other places within the Book of Revelation: Revelation Chapter 1, Introduction, Rev. 1:14, **“His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes were like blazing fire.”**, also in **‘Jesus—Letter to the Church in Thyatira’**, Rev. 2:18, **“To the angel at the church in Thyatira write: “These are the words of the Son of God, whose eyes are like blazing fire...”**

I looked up the definition of the word **“fire”** in the Webster’s Dictionary: **‘the phenomenon of COMBUSTION manifested in → LIGHT → FLAME → and HEAT’**, which I think is exactly what God is trying to tell us. Remember this is a time of **‘Judgment and Destruction’** for unsaved men. To me this description speaks to the issue: **That Jesus Christ is coming to the earth, this time, ‘In POWER’**. Remember the first time He came as a **‘Servant and to Save’** this time it will be to **‘Judge & Rule’**.

Also, given the surrounding context, it appears to me that God through John’s words is beginning to **‘Paint a Mental Picture’** of the **‘Description of Jesus Christ’** at this event: that readers of all generations would understand. Keep in mind that **‘fire—heat’** are one of the earth’s most destructive forces in nature. Remember this is the first of three **‘Specific Physical Characteristics or Attributes’** about Jesus described in verse 12.

Also, there are some scholars who believe these words, **“His eyes are like blazing fire...”** indicate the **‘All Seeing and All Knowing—Ability of God/Jesus’**. This statement is certainly true and could be a secondary meaning but I do not think it is the primary meaning.

**Part Two:** **“...on His head are many crowns.”** In this portion of verse 12 God through John’s words tells readers of all generations that; this time Jesus Christ is coming to the earth → **‘With Authority—He is a King and Ruler of the Earth’**.

Again, I think God put these words in to make sure all men—both saved (for re-assurance) and unsaved (to put on notice) that Jesus Christ will come a second time to this earth and He will come in **'POWER'** this time, and the **"...many crowns..."** (Plural) on His head this time will be **"Many Crowns" – of Royalty.** This will be quite different from the **'crown'** He wore this first time: Matt. 27:28-29, **"They stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him, and wove a crown of thorns and set it on His head."**

Again, I think we are seeing the differences between Jesus **'First Coming'** and His **'Second Coming'** → first time to **'serve and save'** & the second to **'Judge and Rule'**.

This will truly be a **get day for the 'Saints of Jesus Christ'**, but will **NOT** be such a great day for the followers of Satan.

**Part Three: "He has a name written on Him → that no one knows but He Himself knows."** I believe that this part of verse 12 could actually be **'a'** or **'the key'** to one of the most important Biblical Concepts in the entire Holy Bible and for sure in the New Testament, in terms of → **'Seeing & Defining & Comprehending & Actually Beginning to Understand, the Trinity → The Divinity of Jesus the Christ as the Son of God the Father'**. I think this one event will be **'proof positive'** → that Jesus Christ was actually sent to this world by God the Father and is in fact 1/3 of the Trinity—God.

**Note:** This event would only pertain to, people living that this point in time—physical, as those who are in heaven or hell will already know this fact as the saved will have already gone through the **'Bema Seat'** of Jesus and the unsaved will have been put in hell, awaiting their **'Judgment Process'** before God the Father at the **'Great White Throne Judgement'**.

To me this portion of verse 12 has many different elements (as defined by many scholars) which I am sure mortal men **'cannot even begin to fully comprehend'**, however, I will write down as many of these as I can and we can discuss.

**One:** Paul's vision, 2 Cor. 12:4, "...was caught up to Paradise. He heard in expressible things, things that man is not permitted to tell." To me Paul is making it plain that there are certain things about heaven and the God-Head that mortal men are not permitted to talk about or even understand until we get to heaven and even then it may take a long time for created beings to understand. We also know that certain prophecies have been sealed up, I think because God either did not want man to hear at that point in time or He—God did not think man could comprehend or even mentally deal with in his mortal state: Dan. 12:4, "But you, Daniel, close up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end."

**Two:** In the Old Testament time it was a 'Jewish Thought-Process' that if you knew someone's name → It may give you some influence over them. This was because at this point in time every person's name had some type of description—meaning about them. Examples, Judges 13:17-18, "Then Manoah inquired of the angel of the Lord, 'What is your name, so that we may honor you when your words come true?' He replied, 'Why do you ask my name? It is beyond understanding (is wonderful).'" Gen. 32:26a-20, "But Jacob replied, 'I will not let you go unless you bless me.' The man asked him, 'What is your name?' Jacob, he answered. Then the man said, 'Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel because you have struggled with God and with men and have overcome.' Jacob said, 'Please tell me your name.' But he replied, 'Why do you ask my name?' Then he blessed him."

**Three:** J. Vernon McGee defines it this way: "He is given four names which correspond to the Gospels: 1) **"King of kings"**, corresponds to the Gospel of Matthew, since Matthew presents Christ as the King, 2) **"Faithful & True"**, corresponds to the Gospel of Mark where He is presented as the Servant of God. The important thing about a servant is not genealogy but his trustworthiness. Is he faithful and truthful? Those are the qualities of a servant. (Note: My words: See verse 11b above, "...is called faithful and true..."), 3) **"Word of God"**, repeats what he is called in the Gospel of John: "In the beginning was the Word...And the Word was made flesh..." John 1:1 & 14, (Note: My words, also this is again stated in Rev. 19:13b, "...and His name is the Word of God." 4) What is the name that

no one knows? Well, I have a suggestion. Perhaps it corresponds to Likes Gospel in which He is presented as Jesus, the Son of man.

In light of all of the above opinions and data points I will provide you with my opinion. To me this statement, **“He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself knows.”** To me it appears that this statement has **‘two meanings or two sides’**.

### **Side One:**

We know for a **‘Fact’** many things about the **‘Name of Jesus the MAN’**, and we know this because it is given to us in the Holy Bible, which is the inspired word of God, therefore it is a **‘fact or truth’**.

**1)** Why we know that Jesus was part of the **‘Creation of all Things’**, Col. 1:15-16, **“He is the image of the invisible God the first born over all creation. For by Him all things all things were created, Things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities: all things were created by Him and for Him.”** Gen. 1:26 speaks about the **‘trinity’** being present at Creation, of which Jesus was one of the three beings present, which is part of what Col. 1:15-16 is talking about, **“Then God said, ‘Let US (Trinity) make man in our image, in our likeness...”**

**2)** Why we know Jesus name was predetermined by Heaven, Luke 1:30-33, **“But the angel said to her, ‘Do not be afraid, Mary, you have found favor with God. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; His kingdom will never end.”**

**3)** Why we know the name of Jesus is the most **‘Important—Powerful—Authoritative, Name in all of Creation’**, including both Heaven and Earth, Phil. 2:9-11, **“Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee**

should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

**4)** Why we know the name Jesus has the **‘Power to Redeem—Salvation’**, Acts 4:12, **“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”** Acts 2:38, **“Peter replied, ‘Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit’.”** 1 Cor. 6:11, **“But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.”**

**5)** Why we know that there is no other way to the Father except through the name of Jesus, John, 14:6, **“Jesus answered, and ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. If you really knew Me, you would know My Father as well. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him. Also, Matt. 11:27, “all things have been committed to Me by My Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him.”**

**6)** Why we know the name Jesus—the God-Man, is the **‘Cornerstone & Head of the Church’**,

**One:** **‘Cornerstone’**, Eph. 2:20, **“...built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone.”**

**Two:** **‘Head of the Church’**, Eph. 1:22, **“And God placed all things under His feet and appointed Him to be head over everything for the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills everything in every way.”**

**7)** Why we know that Jesus → Title—Name—Authority is defined in the Book of Revelation alone → 68 times, I have listed them for your review, as follows: (I may have missed a few)

**“Jesus Christ...is the Faithful Witness...” – Rev. 1:5,**

**“Jesus Christ...is the first born from the dead...” – Rev. 1:5,**

**“Jesus Christ...is the ruler of the kings of the earth.” – Rev. 1:5,**

**“Jesus Christ...is like a son of man...” – Rev. 1:13,**

**“Jesus Christ...I am the First and the Last...” – Rev. 1:17,**

**“Jesus Christ...I am the Living One...” – Rev. 1:18,**

**“Jesus Christ...is the one who-Holds the Seven Stars in His right hand...” – Rev. 2:1,**

**“Jesus Christ...is the one who walks among the Seven Golden Lamp Stands.” – Rev. 2:1,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘These are the words of the Son of God’...” – Rev. 2:18,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘I am He who searches the hearts and minds’...” – Rev. 2:23,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘These are the words of Him who holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.’” – Rev. 3:1,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘These are the words of Him who is Holy and True’...” – Rev. 3:7,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘Is the one who holds the keys of David?’” – Rev. 3:7,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘What he opens, no one can shut; and what He shuts, no one can open.’” – Rev. 3:7,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘I know your deeds’.” – Rev. 3:8,**

**“Jesus Christ...is the ‘Amen’...” – Rev. 3:14,**

**“Jesus Christ... is ‘the faithful and true witness...’ – Rev. 3:14,**

**“Jesus Christ... is ‘the ruler of God’s creation.’” – Rev. 3:14,**

**“Jesus Christ... ‘I know your deeds...’ – Rev. 3:15,**

“Jesus Christ... ‘I overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.’ – Rev. 3:21,

“Jesus Christ...is ‘the lion of the tribe of Judah...’ – Rev. 5:5,

“Jesus Christ... is ‘the root of David...’ – Rev. 5:5,

“Jesus Christ...is able to open the scroll and its seven seals.” – Rev. 5:5,

“Jesus Christ...is ‘I saw a Lamb looking like it had been slain’...” – Rev. 5:6,

“Jesus Christ...had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God...” – Rev. 5:6,

“Jesus Christ...They sang a new song, ‘You are worthy to take the scroll and to open the seals, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priest to serve our God’...” – Rev. 5:9-10,

“Jesus Christ...is ‘the Lamb’...” – Rev. 5:13,

“Jesus Christ... is ‘the lamb/He opened’...” – Rev. 6, verses 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 12,

“Jesus Christ...the wrath of the Lamb...” – Rev. 6:16,

“Jesus Christ...and to the Lamb...” – Rev. 7:10,

“Jesus Christ...and made the white in the blood of the Lamb...” – Rev. 7:14,

“Jesus Christ...For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd...” – Rev. 7:17,

“Jesus Christ...’when He opened the seventh seal...” – Rev. 8:6,

“Jesus Christ... ‘The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ’.” – Rev. 11:15,

“Jesus Christ... ‘She gave birth to a son, a male child, who will rule all the nations with an iron scepter. And her child was snatched up to God and to His throne.’” – Rev. 12:5,

“Jesus Christ...Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority His Christ.” – Rev. 12:10,

“Jesus Christ...They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb...” – Rev. 12:11,

“Jesus Christ... and hold to the testimony of Jesus.” – Rev. 12:17,

“Jesus Christ...and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with Him 144,000 who had His name and His Father’s name written on their foreheads.” – Rev. 14:1,

“Jesus Christ...They were purchased from among men and offered as first fruits to God and the lamb.” – Rev. 14:4,

“Jesus Christ...This calls for patient endurance on the part of the saints who obey God’s commandments and remain faithful to Jesus.” – Rev. 14:12,

“Jesus Christ...and seated on the cloud was one ‘like a son of man’ with a crown of gold on His head and a sharp sickle in His hand.” – Rev. 14:14,

“Jesus Christ...the song of the Lamb...” – Rev. 15:3,

“Jesus Christ...They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings...” – Rev. 17:14,

“Jesus Christ...For the wedding supper of the Lamb has come, and His bride has made herself ready.” – Rev. 19:7,

“Jesus Christ...Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb.” – Rev. 19:9,

“Jesus Christ...I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.” – Rev. 19:10,

“Jesus Christ...whose rider is called Faithful and true...” – Rev. 19:11,

“Jesus Christ...His eyes are like burning fire → and on His head are many crowns. → He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself

knows. (Our current verse) → He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and His name is the Word of God.” – Rev. 19:12-13,

“Jesus Christ...The armies of heaven were following Him...” – Rev. 19:14,

“Jesus Christ...Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations.” – Rev. 19:15,

“Jesus Christ... He will rule them with and Iron scepter.” – Rev. 19”15,

“Jesus Christ...He treads the winepress of the wrath of God Almighty.” – Rev. 19:15,

“Jesus Christ...On His robe and written on His thigh He has this name written: ‘King of Kings and Lord of Lords.’” – Rev.19: 16,

“Jesus Christ...And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God.” – Rev. 19:4,

“Jesus Christ...They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.” – Rev. 19:4,

“Jesus Christ...but they will be priest of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.” – Rev. 19:6,

“Jesus Christ...the twelve apostles of the Lamb...” – Rev. 21:14,

“Jesus Christ...I did not see the temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.” – Rev. 21:22,

“Jesus Christ...The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.” – Rev. 21: 23,

“Jesus Christ...but only those whose names are written in the Lambs book of life.” – Rev. 21: 27,

“Jesus Christ...The throne of God and the Lamb will be in the city...” – Rev. 22:3,

“Jesus Christ...Behold I am coming soon!” – Rev. 22:7,

“Jesus Christ...Behold I am coming soon!” – Rev. 22:12,

“Jesus Christ...I will give to everyone according to what he has done.” – Rev. 22:12,

“Jesus Christ...I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.” – Rev. 22:13,

“Jesus Christ...I, Jesus have sent My angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the Bright and Morning Star.” – Rev. 22:16,

“Jesus Christ...He who testifies to these things says, ‘Yes, I am coming soon! Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God’s People. Amen.’” – Rev. 22:20-21

Based on just what we have outlined above in the Book of Revelation, I think we can safely say that **‘Men know many of the names of Jesus or attributes about His name’** and there are many more names and attributes about the **‘Name of Jesus’** that we could quote from scripture, starting in the Book of Genesis and finishing in the Book of Jude, but you get the idea.

**7)** Why we know the names Jesus gave Himself is because the Bible tells us, as follows:

a) John 8:58, “I tell you the truth, Jesus answered, ‘before Abraham was born, I Am!’”

b) Rev. 2:18, “To the angel of the church in Thyatira: These are the words of the ‘Son of God’...”

c) Rev. 22:13, this is Jesus speaking, “I Am the Alpha and the Omega...”

d) Jesus tells His disciples that He is the **‘CHRIST’**, Matt. 16:20, “Then He warned His disciples not to tell anyone that he was the ‘Christ’.”

Jesus is the most important name that has ever been given to a man. This is because he was not just a mere man but the 'God—Man', the 'Son of God' and 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the 'Trinity', which leads me to the 'Second Side of the Name Jesus'.

### Side Two:

However, I believe our verse "He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself knows." is referencing: 'Not All of His Worldly Names', because we have just identified many, but 'His Godly/Heavenly Name'. I am not 100% sure how to explain this but I will try:

### Assumption One:

Jesus Christ has many names, some were provided by men and some were provided by Jesus, as it relates to humanity and our language, that is the way God and Jesus convey to us what they want us to know about themselves and man → the 'Holy Bible VALIDATE' this Assumption'.

### Assumption Two:

Therefore, our verse, "He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself knows" must be talking about a 'Second Name' one that humanity has not been made aware of yet—not sure why. However, I will try to explain as best I can – with scripture.

**First Point:** Remember, what Paul said in, 2 Cor. 12:4, "I...was caught up to Paradise. He heard in expressible things, things that man is not permitted to tell." I think based on Paul's words, there are things 'About Heaven—God' that 'Are not "Expressible" in the Human Language'. And in my opinion, nor are they comprehensible by mortal men. We have no frame of reference to interpret them or obtain any kind of mental picture. I think we always have to be cognizant of the fact that we are talking about the 'Being/Trinity' that created heaven and its inhabitants and the 'Being/Trinity' that created the earth, the universe and its inhabitants.

**Second Point:** John tells us in John 14:9b, “Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father.” and John 10:30, “I and the Father are one.” I believe that God is trying to tell us that there is ‘One God/Trinity’ but God has ‘Three Separate Forms’.

**Third Point:** ‘Jesus ‘IS’ the Human Imprint’ of God the Father’, Heb. 1:3, “The Son is the radiance of Gods glory and the exact representation of His/God’s being...”

**Fourth Point:** God the Father has been named—called—identified by certain human words; I have listed some of them for your review: which are as follows:

**1) Elohim,** meaning ‘strong one’, and ‘It is a plural of majesty and intimates the trinity—also, God’s sovereignty, creative works, mighty works’, Jer. 32:27, “I am the Lord, the God of all mankind. (Is anything too hard for me?)” → Meaning, Elohim,

**2) El Elyon,** (variant of Elohim) meaning ‘The Most High God’, and ‘Stresses God’s Strength, Sovereignty, and Supremacy’, Dan. 7:18, “But the saints of the Most High will receive the kingdom and will possess it forever—yes, for ever and ever.”

**3) El Olam,** (variant of Elohim) meaning, ‘The Everlasting God’, and ‘Emphasizes God’s Unchangeableness and is connected with His Inexhaustibleness’, Gen. 16:13, “She gave this name to the Lord who spoke to her: ‘You are the God who sees me’, for she said, ‘I have now seen the back of the One who sees me’.”

This next group are all ‘variants of the word—Yahweh’, which we will discuss below, also I will not quote all of the scriptures,

**4) Yahweh Jireh,** meaning ‘The Lord will provide’, Gen. 22:14,

**5) Yahweh Nissi,** meaning ‘The Lord is my banner—the one who fights for His people’, Ex. 17:15,

**6) Yahweh Shalom,** meaning, ‘The Lod is Peace—or the Lord is a means of our peace and rest’, Jud. 6:24,

**7) Yahweh Sabbaoth**, meaning **'The Lord of Host—Commander of the armies of heaven'**, 1 Sam. 1:3 & 17 & 45,

**8) YahwehRo'i**, meaning, **'The Lord is my shepherd'**, Ps. 23:1,

**9) Yahweh Tsidkenu**, meaning, **'The Lord is our Righteousness'**, Jer. 23:6,

**10) Despotes**, meaning, **'Master—Supreme Authority'**, Luke 2:29, Acts 4:24, Rev. 6:10, 2 Peter 2:1, Jude 4

I found at least 10 or 20 more names that humans gave to God, but you get the idea, **'Men were giving God names/in words, based on the Human Mental Pictures that they would create in their minds and the minds of the men to follow'**. Remember---names had meaning to the people living during these periods.

**Fifth Point:** Now we will take about **'Names that God Called Himself'**,

**1) Yahweh**, meaning **'to exist, be', or 'self-existent God of revelation and redemption'**, Ex. 3:13-14, **"Moses said to God, 'Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you', and they ask me, 'What is His name?' Then what shall I tell them?' God said to Moses, 'I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me'."**

**2) 'The Lord'**, meaning God, Ex. 6:2, **"God also said to Moses, 'I am the Lord.'" Ex. 6:6, "Therefore, say to the Israelites,: 'I am the Lord and will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians."**

**3) Rev. 1:8, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, 'who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty'."**

### **CONCLUSION:**

My conclusion is that God and Jesus have provided humanity with words that provide us with **'Word Pictures'** that we can, as humans, **'Mentally Comprehend'**. However, because **'Humans still exist in a Mortal Body, with a Sin Nature'** they do not have the **'The Ability to Comprehend or Understand → The Concept of**

**God—Trinity.’** Judges 13:18, **“He replied, ‘Why do you ask me my name? It is beyond your understanding—wonderful.”**

However, we know that God through John’s words again provides us, the reader, with → **Human Words** to provide us, ‘**all readers throughout time**’, with a ‘**Word Picture**’ → defining Rev. 19:12b, in the next several verses: **“...His name is the word of God.”** & **“On His robe and on His thigh He has written: ‘King of kings and Lord of Lords’.”**

I know this was a lot of words and scripture but again I think this is a very important biblical concept and deserves adequate discussion.

### **Verse 13:**

To me verse 13 is speaking about **‘Two Specific Spiritual Characteristics about Jesus’**: (First) **“He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood...”** → (Second) **“...and His name is the Word of God.”** Below I have added the Greek Translator, translation.

**First:** NIV, **“He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood...”** Greek Translator, **“...and having been clothed in a garment which had been dipped in blood.”** Scholars have developed several interpretations of this portion of verse 13, which are as follows:

**One:** These scholars believe that the **“...robe dipped in blood...”** is talking about **‘Jesus First Coming’** when He was beaten and sent to His death for the sins of the world. They support their view based on this portion of verse 13; comes before the portion of verse 13 that describes the **‘Actual Battle of Armageddon’**, which is verses 17-21. They also use the Greek Translator translation, **“...having been clothed in a garment which had been dipped in blood.”** Which they believe speaks about a **“...garment which had been dipped in blood.”** again, which would indicate **‘Past-Tense’** or a **“garment”** from some past event.

**Two:** These scholars believe that the **“...robe dipped in blood...”** is speaking about a **‘Judgment Event’**, which is exactly what the **‘Battle of Armageddon’** will be! Remember when we began our study of this portion of Chapter 19; I said verses

11-21 were broken down into three separate sub-sections, which are as follows; repeat from page 921:

**1) Verses 11-13, Introduction of Jesus Christ and some of the, ‘Specific Attributes and Characteristics about Him’,**

**2) Verses 14-16, Some of the ‘Details about Jesus Christ Followers and His Authority and Power’,**

**3) Verses 17-21, ‘Some of the Details and Description of the Actual Battle of Armageddon’**

And based on 1-3 above I think God through Johns words is providing the reader with **‘Basic Data’** about this **‘Event—Armageddon’** and did not intend us to believe that there is any chronological order to these verses—Just **‘Basic Information about the Event—Armageddon’**. Again, just my opinion.

Also, these scholars use Isaiah 63: 1-6 to validate their opinion as it is **‘Prophecy’** about this very event: Note the wording, **“Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah, with His garments stained in crimson? Who is this robed in splendor, striding forward in the greatness of His strength? It is I, speaking in righteousness, mighty to save. Why are your garments red, like those treading the winepress? I have trodden the winepress alone; from the nations no one was with Me. I trampled them in My anger and trod them down in My wrath; their blood spattered My garments, and I stained all My clothing. For the day of vengeance was in My heart, and the year of My redemption has come. I looked but there was no one to help, I was appalled that no one gave support; so My own arm worked salvation for Me, and My own wrath sustained Me. I trampled the nations in My anger; in My wrath I made them drunk and poured their blood on the ground.”**

Given all of the above opinions and data about these words, I believe it is probably a little of all of these views. If you go back to Revelation Chapter 14, verses 14-20, you will find what I called a **‘foreshadowing’** of the **‘Entire—Seven**

**Year Tribulation Judgment Process', all 20 judgments.** Also, remember, Jesus Christ was the **'Implementer'** of the first **'Seven Seal Judgments'**, therefore, to me Jesus Christ would have already been involved in **'7 Judgments that Involved the Shedding of Human Blood'**. Again, read and make up your own mind, however, I do not think it makes any difference as to the meaning or outcome of the **'End Times Period'**.

**Second:** NIV, **"...and His name is the Word of God."** Greek Translator, **"And His named is called 'The Word of God'."** In our analysis of verse 12c, **"He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself knows."** I stated that I believed that these words were talking about **'Jesus Christ—Godly—Trinity Name'**, and I also provided my reasoning for my view. However, now in verse 13b, **"...and His name is the Word of God."**, I believe God through John's words has shifted back to describing Jesus Christ by **'Words'** that we are familiar with from other scripture. I think the best scripture that makes this plain is the Book of John, John 1:1-2, **"In the beginning was the word, and the Word was with God, and the word was God. He was with God in the beginning."** Now move to verse 14 to finish the interpretation, **"The word became flesh and lived with for a while among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came for the Father, full of grace and truth."** Again, to me, John verse 1-2 describe the **'Pre-creation Jesus Christ and is describing the Trinity'**, whereas, verse 14 is talking about the time **'Jesus Christ Spent on this Earth: All God and All man'** and would be describing a name humans could understand.

Not exactly sure why God put both of these verses within such close proximity of each other, unless He—God wanted all readers to know that Jesus Christ, the one who is leading the armies of Heaven, has two names → One Godly—Trinity and one that humans are familiar with, so as to make sure all readers clearly understand that both Jesus's (verse 12 & verse 13) → (were—first coming) and (are—second coming) one and the same!

I think the other way we could look at these verses is that John 1:1-2 is speaking about the position that Jesus Christ played in the **'Trinity'** before and during the

**Creation of the Earth—Universe, and at ‘His Second Coming’, whereas, verse 14 is speaking about the time of ‘Jesus Christ First Coming’. Again, just my opinion**

## **Second Sub-Set: Verses 14-16 →**

**Verses 14-16, will be providing some of the ‘Details about Jesus Christ Followers and the Judgment Jesus Christ is BRING and His Authority and Power’,**

**Verse 14, Talks about ‘The Followers of Jesus Christ at this Event’ → “The armies of heaven were following Him, → riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.**

**Verse 15, Talks about ‘The Judgments Jesu Christ is Bringing to an Unsaved and Rebellious World’ “Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword → with which to strike down the nations. → He will rule them with and Iron scepter. → He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.**

**Verse 16, Talks about ‘The Authority and Power that Jesus Christ Possesses at His Second Coming’, “On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written, → ‘King of Kings and Lord of Lords’.”**

I will break each of these verses down into their basic sub-sets, as follows:

### **Verse 14,**

Talks about → ‘**The Followers of Jesus Christ at this Event**’, “The armies of heaven were following Him → riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.”

### **Part One Verse 14,**

“The armies of heaven were following Him...” I think there at least two points within these words that God wants the reader to be aware of, as follows:

**Section One: “The Armies of heaven...”** Meaning, God has “...armies in Heaven...” I am not exactly sure why God put these words in, as **Jesus Christ at**

His 'Second Coming' will be all POWERFUL and He will not need any help. Remember back in Genesis 1: 26, God said, **"Then God said, 'Let US (Trinity) make man in OUR (again, Trinity) image..."** and **Jesus Christ the Son of God the Father is 1/3 of the Trinity, meaning 100% God**. Therefore, given this is the 'God of All of Creation' all He would have to do is **'Speak'** and all of creation would disappear. He—Jesus Christ does not need any help with this task, therefore, why did God put these words in this verse? And this is not the only place within scripture that talks about these **"armies"**. Therefore, we will look to other scripture to see if we can determine why God put these words in Revelation Chapter 19, verse 14. I have quickly found three other places in scripture that I believe will shed some light on the 'meaning to these words'. I will list them below:

**First Scripture:** Jude 14-15, **"Enoch, the seventh for Adam, prophesied about these men; 'See the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of His holy ones → to judge everyone, and to convict all the ungodly all of the ungodly acts they have done in the ungodly way, and all of the harsh words ungodly sinners have spoken against Him'."**

To me God makes it very clear in these verses → Why these **"...Holy Ones..."** are coming with **'Jesus Christ at His Second Coming'**, **"...to judge...and to convict..."** To me this verse appears to focus on the **'Task'** that **"...His holy ones..."** will have during this period. There are many other verses that provide additional details about this **'Task'**: 1 Cor. 6:2-3, **"Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if you are to judge the world, are you not competent to judge trivial cases. Do you not know that you will judge angels?"** Appears to me to be pretty straight forward as to what the **'Task'** of the saints will be after the **'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'**. Also, 1 Tim. 2:12, **"...if we endure, we will also reign with Him."** Also, if you go to Rev. 20: 4-6 you will find more details on the **'Task'** of the saints during the **Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ:** Verse 4a, **The Church → "I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge."** Verse 20:4b speaks about the **Tribulation Martyrs,** **"And I**

saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the Word of God...they came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.” To me these verse confirm that the ‘**Raptured Church and those Martyred in the Tribulation Period**’ will be the “...holy ones...” who will be ruling with Jesus Christ during His Millennial Reign.

Now let’s look at another scripture quote.

**Second Scripture:** Col. 3:4, “When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.” Again, to me God is making it very clear why those who will be with Jesus Christ at ‘**His Second Coming**’ → “...you will be with Him in GLORY.” To me this verse tells the ‘**Saint**’ of Jesus Christ that they will return with Him at ‘**His Second Coming**’. I see this as a fulfillment of a promise.

**Third scripture:** Matt. 25:31, “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, He will sit on His throne in heavenly glory.” Again, God is making it very clear that at the ‘**Second Coming of Jesus Christ**’ all of the heavenly angels will be with Him. However, to me God does not make it 100% clear why “...all the angels of heaven...” are with Him—Jesus Christ. However, based on the remaining words within this verse, “...He will sit on His throne in heavenly glory.” It appear to me that they— “the angels” will be PART of ‘**His Royal Subjects**’ who are 100% focused on ‘Worshipping Jesus Christ—the Son of God and 1/3 of the Trinity all of the time.’ Note; this appears to me to be just a sub-set of the group we are talking about in our verse, “The armies of heaven...”, which are also the 2/3 of the angels of heaven that did not fall with Satan.

From these scripture quotes I believe we can determine → Who will compose the “The armies of heaven...” Based on the details in the ‘**First & Second Scripture Quotes**’, it will be “...His holy ones...” which to me has been defined as the ‘**Church of Jesus Christ that was Raptured**’ and all of the ‘**Tribulation Martyrs**’. Also, I think the ‘**Third Scripture Quote**’ makes it clear the “...The armies of heaven...” will also include the “...angels of heaven...”

## **CONCLUSION:**

Remember the purpose of this analysis was to determine **'Why God included the words, "The armies of heaven were following Him..."** as it was Jesus that had all the **'Authority and Power'** and did not need **"The armies of heaven..."** to help Him win this battle. I think we can say with 100% certainty that they, **"The armies of heaven..."** were **"...following Him..."** or **'Invited'** as a **'Reward'** for their **'Faith—service—loyalty' to God and His Son Jesus Christ**. It could also be that it is God keeping His word that **'One Day He will Judge the Evil of this World and Heaven'** for what they had done to Gods people over the years. Romans, 2:5, **"But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the days of Gods wrath. God will give to each person according to what he has done."** Rev. 20:12c, **"The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books."**

However, I think we always need to keep in mind that God is not on man's time-table, but on His own time-table → I think these verses put this concept in to perspective for all men, 2 Peter, 3: 8-9, **"Do not forget this one thing, dear friend: with the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."** Again, just my opinion, so read and make up your own mind.

**Section Two:** In the next part of this section of verse 14 we are told that **"The armies of heaven ..."** → **"...were following Him (Jesus)..."** or we could say being led by Jesus Christ. As we have stated previously, **'At this point in time God the Father has given His son—Jesus Christ Authority over heaven and earth'**, Matt. 28:18, **"The Jesus came to them and said, 'All AUTHORITY in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.'"** Matt. 11:27, **"all things have been committed to Me by My father."** John 3:35, **"The Father loves the Son and has placed everything in His hands."**

I think a second point is the wording of this phrase, notice **"The armies of heaven are FOLLOWING HIM—Jesus..."** which to me means, Jesus is the undisputed

leader and the **"armies"** are willingly **"following"** their leader. Again, just my opinion

### **Part Two of Verse 14,**

**"...riding on white horses → and dressed in fine linen, white and clean."** This portion of verse 14 is totally dedicated to **'Describing—for the reader—the "armies of heaven"'**. To me this description appears to be broken down into three separate pieces of information, which are:

1) It tells us that they are **"...riding on white horses..."** If you go back to verse 11, we discussed the issue of a **"white horse"** in some length— **'Jesus was on a 'white horse—Power and Authority'.**

2) It tells us that they are **"...dresses in fine linen..."** again this subject has been discussed in a variety of places: Rev. 19: 8, the **'Wedding Supper'**, **"Fine lined, bright and clean..."** also, same concept in Rev. 6:9-11, **Fifth Seal Judgment, Martyrs under the Throne of God, vs. 11, "Then each of them were given a white robe..."** again, Rev. 7:9-17, **'The Great Multitude of Tribulation Martyrs—in White Robes'**, vs. 9b, **"They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. & verses 13-14, "Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in the white robes—who are they and where did they come from?' I answered, 'Sir, you know.' And he said, 'These sre they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their ribes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb'."**

3) Last, it tells us the **'Color and Condition'** of their dress, **"...white and clean."** All of the above verse would support these words as well, however, I think as we have discussed before the real meaning to these words is → **'Purity—Sin Free—Of God'**, you get the idea.

### **Verse 15,**

Talks about: **'The Judgments Jesus Christ is Bringing to an Unsaved and Rebellious World'** **"Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword → with which to**

strike down the nations. → He will rule them with and Iron scepter. → He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.

I will break down verse 15 into its basic sub-sets, as follows:

### Part One Verse 15:

“Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword → with which to strike down the nations.” The first part of verse 15 provides the reader with two pieces of information about the ‘Judgment that Jesus Christ, the Son of God’ is bringing at ‘His Second Coming’ → to the earth, at the end of the ‘Seven Year Tribulation Period’.

**1)** There are many biblical concepts incorporated within the first 7 words of this portion of verse 15, “Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword...” however, I will limit our discussion to the primary ones as it relates to this one event.

**a)** As we have discussed in the past, the ‘Power & Authority’ that the ‘Trinity—God the Father—God of Son and God the Holy Spirit’ possesses is inconceivable to ‘Mortal Men’. However, in this specific case “Out of His mouth...” (I believe that God is referencing, **the spoken word of God**) I believe that God is providing the readers of all time periods with words that they will clearly understand as they have already seen in the Bible before: ‘Gods Spoken Word Demonstrating Just a Portion of Gods Unlimited Power & Authority’, Gen. 1:3, “And God said, ‘Let there be light...” & vs. 6, “And God said, ‘Let there be an expanse between the waters...” & vs. 9, “And God said, ‘Let the water under the sky gathered to one place...” & vs. 11, “Then God said, ‘Let the land produce vegetation...” you get idea—In six days God Spoke the Earth and Universe into being. → There is ‘Power & Authority in Gods Spoken Words’.

**b)** To me the next part of this verse, “...comes a sharp sword...” makes the reader aware of → How This ‘Power & Authority’ is going to be used by “The Rider on the White Horse...” → ‘Judgment, which I believe means—Physical and Spiritual Death for the Unsaved People Living on the Earth at that Time’, (The time that they were given by God to be saved has expired.)

Remember the purpose of the **'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'** is to **'Bring God the Fathers Judgment on an Un-Repentant World'**. Also, I would think that the words **"sharp sword"** would bring the mental picture to all humans that, what is to follow is death and destruction.

2) I believe that in the last 7 words of this first section of verse 15, **"...with which to strike down the nations."** God provides readers of all generations with a very **'Pointed and Clear'** statement, again for all to read, as to → **How Un-Repentant People of the Earth will be Treated—When 'Jesus Christ, Returns to the Earth for the Second Time.** And, again, this will mean both, → **'Physical & Spiritual Death for these Un-Repentant People—All of Them.'**

Last, to be clear, these words are describing **'The Second Coming of Jesus Christ'** and are known as the **'Battle of Armageddon'**.

#### **Part Two verse 15:**

**"He will rule them with and Iron scepter. → He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty."** It appears to me that in the second portion of verse 15, God makes two specific points:

**One:** The first part of the verse, **"He will rule them with and iron scepter..."** is speaking about the way → **'Jesus Christ will rule the Earth during His Millennial Reign'**. This same **'Event'** → the **'Second Coming of Jesus Christ'** was described in some details in Psalms 2:1-9, **"Why do the nations rage and the people plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather against the Lord and against His Anointed One. Let us break their chains, they say, and throw off their fetters. The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. Then He rebukes them in His anger and terrifies them in His wrath, saying, 'I have installed My King on Zion, My Holy hill'. I will proclaim the decree of the Lord: He said to me, 'You are My Son; today I have become your Father. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession. You will rule them with and iron scepter; you will dash them to pieces like pottery'."** Jesus Himself repeats these words to the **'Church of Thyatira'**, Rev. 2: 26-27, **"To him who overcomes and does My will to**

the end, I will give authority over the nations—‘He will rule them with and iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery’ just as I have received authority from My Father.” Again, I believe that these words are ‘Talking about the Way Jesus Christ’ will rule the earth during His Millennial Reign on earth.

**Two:** The second part of this verse, “He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.” I am not sure why, but it appears that God has now shifted back to talking about the—The ‘Seven Year Tribulation Period, to include the Battle of Armageddon’. This same period has been provided or ‘foreshadowed/prophesied’ by God in Revelation Chapter 14, verses 14-20, focus on verse 19, “The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God’s wrath.” Again, we are talking about the ‘Judgment of the Un-Repentant/Unsaved’ that will happen at the end of the ‘Seven Year Tribulation Period’ → Meaning both ‘Physical and Spiritual Death’ and I think this will be for all ‘Rebellious—Unsaved → Human & Angelic Beings’.

### Verse 16:

In verse 16 I believe that God talks about, ‘The Authority and Power that Jesus Christ Possesses at His Second Coming’, “On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written, → ‘King of Kings and Lord of Lords’.” I will break down verse 16 into its two basic sub-sets, as follows:

### Part One of Verse 16:

I believe that in the first part of this verse, “On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written...” God provides the reader with two important pieces of information, as follows:

**One:** To me these words On His robe and on His thigh...” depict, ‘The Location of a Human Name’ that Jesus Christ will be known as by ‘mortal men’ during His Millennial Reign on planet earth. Also, remember back in verse 12b, we talked about the words, “He has a name written on Him that no one but He Himself knows.” which we determined was a name (trinity name) that was in

comprehensible by mortal men. Also, in revelation Chapter 7, God ‘Sealed the forehead’ of the 144,000 Jewish men, Rev. 7:3, **“Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.”**

Now on the other side, which follows → **‘Satan—antichrist—false prophet’**, God also uses names to define if you are a **‘Follower of Satan’**, Rev. 13:16, **“He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark which is the name of the beast or the number of his name.”** Also, remember back in Revelation Chapter 17, the **‘Name of the Prostitute/Woman’** was written on her forehead, Rev. 17:5, **“This title was written on her forehead: ‘MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES AND THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH’.”**

As you can see there are many places within the Book of Revelation where God uses **‘Marking or Sealing’** → **‘In Specific Places’** to set people and even His Son apart for some **‘Special Reason’**.

**1)** Again, in our verse God is providing for the reader the specific location of a human name for Jesus Christ, during His Millennial Reign on planet earth, which is given to us in the latter part of this verse, **“King of Kings and Lord of Lords”**

**2)** In Rev. 7:3 God is **‘sealing—144,000 Jewish Men’**: **“...the seal of the living God...”** before the **‘Seven Trumpet Judgments Start’**.

**3)** In Rev. 13:16, **‘Satan is Writing his Name on the Forehead/Right Hand of his FOLLOWERS’**.

**4)** In Rev. 17:5, I believe that the **‘Prostitute or Woman’** wrote the words of this verse on her own forehead → so that all the world & all of heaven/God would know her for **‘Who She Was and What She Was’!**

### **Part Two of Verse 16:**

In part two of this section, **“He has this name written.”** Now, God provides the reader with the fact that **“On His robe and on His thigh...”** Jesus Christ has a specific name written.

Remember, names are important →

**First:** Matt. 1:21, “She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus (the Lord saves) because He will save His people from their sins.”

**Second:** Acts 4:10b-12, “It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead that this man stands before you completely healed. He is; ‘the stone you builders rejected, which has become the capstone.’ Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.”

**Third:** Phil. 2:9-11, “Therefore, God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, too the glory of God the Father.”

### **Part Three of Verse 16:**

In the last part of this verse God provides the reader with the name that is written on the “robe and thigh” of Jesus Christ → “King of Kings and Lord of Lords.”

Again, to me this should be considered a ‘**human name**’ and not a ‘**Trinity Name**’.

However, it is not until the ‘**Third Part**’ of this verse that we, the readers are actually told by **God the Father** → ‘The Name or Title that God the Father has assigned to His Son, Jesus Christ, for this Event → Armageddon—Judgment of ‘All Unsaved Beings’. “King of Kings and Lord of Lords”

To me in this one statement ‘**God the Father**’ makes it clear for all readers of all time periods that **His Son—Jesus Christ** is:

**1)** The “King of ALL Kings” that has ever lived or ever will live,

**2)** That **His/Gods Son—Jesus Christ** is; The “Lord of ALL Lords” that have ever lived or ever will live.

**Note:** Remember this **Battle—Armageddon**, was also referenced in Rev. 17: 12-14, **“The ten horns you saw are ten kings, who have not yet received a kingdom, but who for one hour will receive authority as kings along with the beast, They have one purpose and will give their power and authority to the beast. They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because He is Lord of lords and King of kings—and with Him will be His called, chosen and faithful followers.”**

### **Third Sub-Set: Verses 17-21 →**

In the **‘Third Sub-Set’ of Revelation Chapter 19**, verses 17-21, God provides the reader with some of the **‘Specific Details and Descriptions of the Actual Battle of Armageddon’**. I am not sure why but for some reason God decided to break this section into three parts, as follows:

**Part One:** In verses 17-18 & 21b, John provides us with **‘Gods Invitation’** to **“...all the birds flying in midair...”** to **‘His—Gods Supper Prepared for Them’**.

**Part Two:** In verse 19, John identifies for the reader → **‘The Opponents of Jesus Christ at the Battle of Armageddon’**.

**Part Three:** In verses 20-21a, John identifies for the reader → **‘What will Happen to the Opponents of Jesus Christ at the Battle of Armageddon’**

### **Part One: Verses 17-18 & 21b →**

As I said, in this first section, God tells us that He—God is going to **‘Invite’** **“...all the birds flying in midair...”** to **“...The Great Supper of God”** and **‘The Food will be the “flesh” of all the Unsaved People living on the earth’**. I do not know why God put this section in, unless it was to make sure all men knew what the price would be for them if they persist in **‘Rebelling Against Him—God, During this**

**Period'**. We will break these verses down into their basic sub-topics, to make them easier to understand, **by Topic**, as follows:

Rev. 19:17, **"And I saw an angel standing in the sun, → who cried out in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, → 'Come, gather together for the great supper of God, →**

Verse 18, **so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and mighty men, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, small and great."**

Verse 21b, **"...and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh."**

### **Part One, Verse 17:**

**"And I saw an angel standing in the sun..."** We are not told if this is the same angel that we saw earlier in this chapter or a different angel, however it does not appear that it would make any difference to the meaning of these words. I think what we do know is that this angel is on earth (solar system), **"...standing in the sun..."** and is speaking directly to **"...the birds flying in midair..."** Based on the way God stated the position of this angel it would appear, He—God is trying to give us, the reader a perception of depth →

**Point One:** The tallest point in this vision is **"...and angel standing in the sun..."** It is my opinion that the angel is standing high in the atmosphere with the sun to his back, or based on the actual words → he—the angel could be actually standing in the sun.

**Point Two:** Next would be the **"...birds flying in midair..."** which to me would be the birds flying in the sky just above the earth's surface.

**Point Three:** The last point would be the actual earth's surface. Also, we are not told if the people of the earth will hear these words? However, if they do hear these words, I would think it would certainly have a severe impact on their willingness to go into this battle, just my opinion.

### Part Two, Verse 17:

“...who cried out in a loud voice → to all the birds flying in midair...” To me in this portion of the verse God makes two points:

1) To me these words, “...who cries out in a loud voice...” makes it clear that this angel was making an announcement from God to someone or thing.

2) And in the last portion we are told who this announcement is directed at or to, “...birds flying in midair...”

### Part Three, Verse 17:

“Come, gather together for the great supper of God.” I am not sure what else I could say that would make these words any clearer as to what God was telling these “birds”. The only thing that comes to my mind is → That this is the ‘Creator Speaking Directly to a Specific Part of His Creation’ and it is in the form of an ‘INVITATION to SUPPER’. Note: Again based on the wording of this verse it appears that God has made it possible for His—God’s angel to speak directly to the “birds” → Not sure what ‘bird language’ is but this angel speaks it!

This same type of language has been used in the Old Testament and always is used to speak about, ‘Disaster to Someone’, Ps. 79:1-2, “O God, the nations have invaded your inheritance: they have defiled your holy temple, they have reduced Jerusalem to rubble. → They have given the dead bodies of your servants as food to the birds of the air, the flesh of your saints to the beast of the earth.” other verses on this same subject, Isa. 18:6, Jer. 16:4 & 19:7 & 34:20, Ezek. 29:5,

The other place that I think is worth talking a little about, where this same language has been used is in Ezek. 39: 17-20, which is talking about the ‘Battle of Gog & Magog’, keep in mind while reading these verses that this is not describing the same battle, “Son of man, this is what the Sovereign Lord says, → ‘Call out to every kind of bird and to all the animals’: ‘Assemble and come together from all around to → the sacrifice I am preparing for you, the great sacrifice on the mountain of Israel. There you will eat the flesh and drink blood. You

will eat the flesh of mighty men and drink the blood of the princes of the earth as if they were rams and lambs, goats and bulls—all of them fattened animals from Bashan. → At the sacrifice I am preparing for you, you will eat fat till you are gluttoned and drink blood till you are drunk. At My table you will eat your fill of horses and riders, mighty men and soldiers of every kind', declares the Sovereign Lord."

On the other side of this equation there are **'Suppers for Saved People'** which are in the form of **'Blessings'**,

**1)** Remember, in verse 9 the angel told John, **"Then the angel said to me, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb.'"**

**2)** However, the greatest supper in Christianity, to me, is the **'Lords Supper'**. There are many places within the New Testament that record this event but I like this one, Luke 22:13-21, **"They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover. When the hour came, Jesus and His apostles reclined at the Table. And He said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it again finds fulfillment in the Kingdom of God'. After talking the cup, He gave thanks and said, 'This is My body given to you; do this in remembrance of Me'. In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is poured out for you'."**

Also, to me the words in the last portion of our verse should be considered as a → **'Direct Invitation by God'** to the **"...birds flying in midair"**: To the → **'Victory Supper of the Lamb after the 'Battle of Armageddon'**, however, we are not told → Why it is only to the **"...birds flying in midair..."** and not all of the beast of the earth, as in other scriptures!

**Note:** I think it is also interesting that all throughout the Bible → **The Blood of Animals** have been used as a **'Sacrifice'** for the sins of man. Now the **'Blood of Un-Repentant & Unserved Men'** is being → **Sacrificed as Food for Animals** → **Sounds Like the Animals came out** → **On – Top of this Issue!**

## **Verse 18:**

**“...so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals and mighty men, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, small and great.”**

In verse 18, I believe God provides or confirms four pieces of information for the reader, which are as follows:

**Point One:** God provides the reader with the **‘Menu for His Supper’**.

**Point Two:** All of the unsaved people of the earth will be involved in some fashion as **‘supper’**.

**Point Three:** All of the unsaved people of the earth will **‘Physically Die as Unsaved’**.

**Point Four:** All people who die as **‘Unsaved’** at this battle will be condemned to **‘The Lake of Burning Fire for All Eternity’**. This to me is for sure the **‘Most IMPORTANT**, part of this verse.

**Details Point One:** It is where God spells out what is going to be on the menu at the **“Great Supper of God”**, which describes the → **DETAILS OF ITEMS ON THE MENU:** **“...so that you may eat the flesh of → kings, → generals and → mighty men, of → horses and their riders, and → the flesh of all people, → free and slave, → small and great.”** To me this is the least four important piece of information within this verse.

**Details Point Two:** All the unsaved people of the earth will be involved in some fashion. To me this verse makes it plain to all readers that **‘All Unsaved People of the Earth’** will be **‘Present at this Battle and Trying to KILL Jesus Christ at His Second Coming’**. To me these words are very sad, but are only the third most important piece of information in our verse.

**Details Point Three:** All of the unsaved people of the earth will **‘Physically Die as Unsaved’**. If you look at the way I have broken down the verse above, which I believe is into its basic segments, as follows:

- 1) “kings”
- 2) “generals”
- 3) “mighty men”
- 4) “horses and their riders”
- 5) “the flesh of all people”
- 6) “free and salve”
- 7) “small and great.”

I think if you look at this list closely you will come to the conclusion that this list **‘Includes ALL Un-Saved People Living on the Earth at this Point in Time’**. And they will all be present (physically dead) at **‘The Great Supper of God’** for **“...the birds flying in midair...”** I believe that I am incorrect in my assumption about the meaning of verse 18, as later on in this chapter, verse 21; God re-confirms the outcome for **‘ALL UNSAVED PEOPLE’**, **“The rest of them were killed with the sword...”**

Remember, these words are **‘Only Describing’** what is going to happen to the **‘Un-Repentant and Unsaved People of the Earth—Living at this Point in Time’**. I believe that this verse confirms that **‘Only Saved People will Enter the Millennial Kingdom of Jesus Christ’**.

This will truly be a **‘Very, Very Sad Day’** for all **‘Un-Repentant and Un-Saved People Living on Planet Earth at this Point in Time’**. The **‘Open Door’** that God has provided these people to repent and accept His free gift of salvation will have closed and their **‘Eternal Destination’** will have been confirmed. I like the words of Jesus Christ to His ‘Church in Philadelphia, in Rev. 3:7. **“To the angel in the church of Philadelphia write: ‘These are the words of Him who is holy and true, who holds the keys of David. What he opens, no one can shut; and what he shuts, no one can open.’”** To me the meaning is very straight forward—The door is shut for the unsaved people living on planet earth → at the mill-second Jesus

Christ feet hit the earth, at His **'Second Coming'**. Again, it will be a very, very sad day for some.

**Details Point Four:** All people who die as **'Unsaved'** at this battle will be condemned to **'The Lake of Burning Fire for All Eternity'**. This to me is for sure the **'Most IMPORTANT'**, part of this verse. I am not sure what else I can say about this point, except it will be the **'Saddest Day in the Lives of these People'**. God provides us more details about this event in Revelation Chapter 20 and it is called **'The Great White Throne Judgement'**. I will not quote all of it but to me this is the summary, Verse 14, **"Then death and Hades were thrown into the Lake of Fire. The lake of fire is the second death."** This will mean eternal separation for God for all of eternity—again, this will surely be the **'Saddest Day'** of these people's lives.

#### **Verse 21b:**

**"...and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh."**

I am not sure why God **'Re-Stated this Mental Picture'** (first stated in verses 17-18) for the reader at the end of this section—**'The Battle of Armageddon'**. However, I know that every word in the **'Bible is God Inspired'** and has **'Great Meaning for Men'**.

I have never actually seen any scholars discuss these words, so here goes my opinion. It appears to me that God is **'Demonstrating for All Readers'** two things, which as follows:

**ONE →** During this **'End Times Period'** God will actually begin to implement His promise to humanity to deliver His—Gods **'Final Judgement'** on all of the unsaved people, both living and dead for their actions while they were living and this is part of that Judgment. There are many places within the Bible where we could see God explaining to people how this promise will be implemented; however, I have picked the following three:

**First:** 2 Peter 3:8-9, **"But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is**

not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”

This is God giving men all the time possible to ‘**Repent and be Saved**’.

**Second:** Acts 3:19, “Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshment may come from the Lord.” This is God being ‘**Generally Specific**’ as to how to men can be saved.

**Third:** Romans 10:9, “That if you confess with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord’, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.” This is God being ‘**Very Specific—Detailed**’ in how men can be saved.

**Fourth:** Rev. 20:11-15, focus on verse 12, “And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.” This is God explaining what will happen at the end of time as we know it and ‘**How you will be Evaluated in YOUR FINAL JUDGMENT**’.

**TWO →** I think God ended this section (the Battle of Armageddon) with this ‘**Mental-Word, Picture**’ is because He wanted this to be what stuck in the minds of the unsaved would, hoping that they would repent and be saved → another words giving them every opportunity to ‘**Miss this Event**’. It is my opinion that these words are ‘**Gods Love in Action—Words**’. Remember, ‘**Freewill**’, He will not force anyone to ‘**Repent—Obey and Love Him**’, that is solely your Decision!

## **Part Two: of Verse 17-19 & 21b:**

**Part Two:** In verse 19, John identifies for the reader → **'The Specific Opponents of Jesus Christ at the Battle of Armageddon'**.

### **Verse 19:**

NIV, **"Then I saw the beast and** (first opponent) → **the kings of the** earth (second opponent) → **and their armies** (third opponent) → **gathering together** (this will be around Jerusalem) → **to make war** (purpose of their gathering) → **against the rider on the horse and His army."** (Jesus and His heavenly army) Greek Translator, **"And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth, and their armies being assembled to make war with the ONE sitting on the horse, and with His army."** I think the Greek Translator is a better translation as it makes it clear that the word **"One"** is referencing back to verse 11, **"I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider was called 'Faithful and True' (One of the Names of Jesus Christ)."**

To me God provides the reader with four specific pieces of information within these words, which is:

- 1) The 'Two Primary Leaders of this Event Opposing Jesus Christ' and,**
- 2) Defines their (# 1 above) 'Followers', and**
- 3) The 'Primary Reason for this Event—War', because of 'Open Rebellion' against 'Gods, Son → Jesus Christ at His Second Coming'**
- 4) The 'Being—Jesus Christ' who the 'Leaders of # 1 & their followers #2 will attempt to fight'.**

**Details on Point One: "Then I saw the beast and → the kings of the earth..."**

This statement defines two specific leaders, which will be fighting against Jesus Christ and His armies. The first is the **"beast"** which is another name for the **'antichrist'**. The second is **"...the kings of the earth..."**, which means all of the

unsaved nations of the earth at this point in time—which in reality will be all the nations of the earth, except Israel.

**Note:** There is one thing that appears to somewhat odd as it relates to this verse and that is → The **'False Prophet'** is not named as an opponent. However, we know for sure that he will be present, because in verse 20 we are told he is **'Captured'**, **"But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet..."**. Again, not sure why God left this detail out?

**Details on Point Two:** **"...their armies gathered together..."** This statement again defines for the reader that all of the armies of every nation on earth will be gathered to fight against Jesus Christ and His armies (stated in point three). Normally this would be an enormous amount of men, however, remember at this point in time the entire population of the earth will only be somewhere around 600 to 800 million people in total.

**Details on Point Three:** **"...to make war with..."** I do not think anyone could misinterpret these words: Their (Satan, kings and followers) Intention was to → **'Destroy Jesus Christ and His armies'** which would allow Satan and his, to continue to **'Lead'** all of the remaining people who are still alive → straight to **'The Lake of Burning Fire'**, which is the same place that he—Satan and his followers will end up in for all of **'Eternity'**. I think his-Satan's hate for the God of Creation has **'NO BOUNDS or LIMITS'**. I do not understand this because God created him/Satan to be one of His—Gods greatest heavenly beings, Ezek. 28:14, **"You were anointed as a guardian CHERUB, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created → till wickedness was found in you."** I am not exactly sure what position of authority Satan would have had in heaven but it sounds to me like **'One of the Top Spots'**. Just my opinion!

**Details on Point Four:** **"...the 'One' sitting on the horse and with His army."** This statement clearly defines who it is that the **"beast and the kings of the earth and their armies..."** were going to **"war"** against. This **"...One sitting on the horse..."** is referencing the rider in verse 11, **"I saw heaven standing open and there before**

me was a white horse, whose rider is called 'Faithful & True'. However, the rider is named in verse 16, "On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written: 'King of Kings and Lord of Lords'." When we studies verse 16, the Bible defined for us that the "King of Kings and Lord of Lords" was Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

**1)** The last part of this verse states, "...with His army." And we know that these are the beings that make up the army of heaven, verse 14, "The armies of heaven were following Him..." → "...the ONE sitting on the horse..."

### **CONCLUSION:**

I think verse 19 makes it very clear that: "...the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies..." (Were) "...gathering together..." (Location—Around Israel) → "...to make war against the rider (Jesus Christ) on the horse and His army (Armies of heaven)"

### **Verse 20:**

"But the beast was captured, → and with him the false prophet, → who had performed miraculous signs on his behalf. → With these signs he had deluded those → who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image. → The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur."

As you can see there appears to be many separate **'Events and Biblical Components'** with in this one verse. I will try to divide them into their basic sub-sets to make it easier to discuss—and provide other supporting scripture.

**First:** To me the **'Macro-View'** of this verse provides the reader with the outcome of this War and → **'Describes in some Detail the Results of the War at the Second Coming of Jesus Christ'**, which will be completed in verse 21a.

**Second:** The first part of the verses actually describes → What happened to the two **'Leaders'**, "But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet..." To me the meaning of these words is very clear and could not be misinterpreted.

However, in these words God provides the reader with one new piece of information that had not been made known before; that the **'false prophet'** will be with the **'beast—antichrist'** at this battle, **"...and with him the false prophet..."** If you go back to verse 19 you will notice that the **'Satanic Leaders'** of this battle were defined as, **"...the beast and the kings of the earth..."** Also, if you skip to verse 21a you will find out what happened to the **"kings & their armies"** of the **"beast"**. I think the interesting part of this is the chronological order in which God provides this information, makes it very clear that: The **'Beast & False Prophet'** will be **'Captured and Sentenced First'** and then their followers second; **"...kings of the earth ...and their armies" last.**

**NOTE:** To me it appears that these two **'beings—beast & false prophet'** are two of the three beings that we know for sure will by-pass the **'Great White Throne Judgment'** and be sent straight to **'The lake of Burning Fire'**. Satan will be the third. However, some scholars believe that the **'fallen angels'** described in Rev. 12:9, **"The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him."** will be thrown in to the **'Burning Lake of Fire'** at this point in time; They use Matt. 25:41 as support, **"Then He will say to those who are on His left, 'Depart from Me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels'."** Also they state that after **'Jesus Christ Millennial Reign of Earth'** occurs and Satan is released for the last time there is no mention of **'his angels being released'**, Rev. 20:7-10. However, they could just be being held in **'Hell'** awaiting the **'Great Throne Judgment'**. To me we have not been told so any statement like this is just an assumption.

**Third:** The third part of this verse provides the reader with some specific information about the **'False Prophet'**, **"...who had performed the miraculous signs on his behalf."** However, this is not new information as it had already been provided in Revelation Chapter 13, verse 13, **"And he performed great and miraculous signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven to earth in full view of men."** Remember, Revelation Chapter 13, verses 11-18 are where God provided the reader with many or various details about the **'False Prophet'**.

**Fourth:** In the fourth part of this verse God continues to provide the reader with specific information about the **'False Prophet'**, **"With these signs he had deluded (by which he led astray) those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image."** And again this is not new information, as it was already provided in Revelation Chapter 13, verse, 14, **"Because of the signs, he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast; he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived."**

**Note:** I am not sure why God repeated so much information about the **'False Prophet'** in this section, after he—God had already provided the reader with detailed information about the **'False Prophet'** in the entire last half of the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter of Revelation. Also, given this is the **'Great Battle of Armageddon'**, which is actually defined above (verse 19) as primarily being between **'The antichrist—Satan and Jesus Christ'**: Again, I am not sure why God wanted to dedicate so much in this section to the **'False Prophet'**, because to me at this point in time he is actually and **'Secondary Figure'**.

However, one possible reason could be that the **'False Prophet'** was the one who was responsible for the **'One World Religious System'** and **"...he had deluded (by which he led astray) those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image."** As I have said before it is my opinion that the **'False Prophet'** was responsible for the **'One World Religious System'** and the **'antichrist'** was primarily responsible for the **'One World Governmental—Economic System'** at least during the first half of the **'Seven Year Tribulation Period'**; and that is when most of the **'Spiritual Damage'** will be done to the people of the earth, as **'The Majority will have Died Unsaved During this Period'**. Therefore, I think it is only right that God makes it clear for the reader, one again, why the **'False Prophet'** → **Deserves such harsh words and treatment**, Just my Opinion.

**Five:** In the fifth part of this verse God describes for the reader the **'Judgment—Penalty—Sentence'** of the **'beast/antichrist and false prophet'**, **"The two of**

them were thrown alive into the Lake of Burning Sulfur.” In Rev.20:10, these same words are used to describe the **‘Sentencing of Satan’** after the **‘Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ’** and Satan is released to once again deceive the people of the earth, “And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown.” Also, these words are used after the **‘Great White Throne Judgment’**, to describe all of the **‘Unsaved People who had → EVER LIVED’**, Rev. 20:15, “If anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.” Also, I would assume that this is the same place that the fallen angels will be sent.

**NOTE:** Go back and compare the specific words in Rev. 19:20, “The two of them were thrown alive into the Lake of Burning Sulfur.”, to the specific words in Rev. 20:10 “And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown.” The **‘antichrist and false prophet’** were both “throne alive” in to the “Burning Lake of Sulfur”, whereas Satan, “he (Satan)was throne into the Lake of Burning Sulfur”. Notice he-Satan was not “alive” when he was “Throne into the Lake of Burning Sulfur”. I assume this wording difference has to do with the fact that Satan is not a human, therefore, does not have what we call **‘Human Life’** and the **‘antichrist and false prophet’** are human and do have **‘human life’**? I think this has to do with the extreme precision with which God speaks. Just my opinion.

The last time God uses these words “...fiery lake of burning sulfur...” was in Rev.21:7-8, where He—God has just talked about the **‘New Heaven and Earth and Jerusalem’** and → **‘Who will be there’** and **‘Who will not be there’**, “He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be My son. But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murders, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.”

## **Conclusion:**

This event should not come as a surprise to anyone and especially Satan and his, because it was prophesied as far back as Isaiah, see Isa, 11:4 (written ~ 710 BC) , **“He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth; with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked.”** Does this sound anything like verse 15a of our chapter, **“Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, He will rule them with and iron scepter.”** (written ~ 93 AD) How about this 2 Thess. 1:6-9, **“God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you and give relief to you when you are in trouble and to us as well. → This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with His powerful angels. He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. → They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of His power on the day He comes to be glorified in His holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed.”** I know this is along quote, but the words are very clear and sharp! (Written ~ 40-60 AD)

Also, all this was **‘Prophesied or Fore-Shadowed’** in Rev. 14:9-13, which was done by the **‘Third Angel’**. I will not quote all of this but I think these verses will summarize it nicely, 10b-11, **“If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark on their forehead or on the hand, he, too, will drink of the wine of God’s fury, which has been poured full strength into the cup of His wrath. → He will be tormented with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb. → And the smoke of their torment rises for ever and ever. → There is no rest day and night for those who worshiped the beast and his image, or for anyone who received the mark of his name.”** I have only quoted a few of these types of verse even though there are many more, because I think God has made it plain for all → **What he Expects** and → **What the Judgment will be if you REBELL!** → **It will truly be a very, very Sad Day for some!**

## Verse 21:

**“The rest of them were killed with the sword that came out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, → and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.”** I will break this verse down into its basic sub-sets to make it easier to understand, as follows:

**Verse 21a: “The rest of them were killed with the sword that came out of the mouth of the rider on the horse...”** Over the years there have been several schools of thought about how to interpret these words.

**View One:** This group of scholars believe that there will be an actual **“sword”** used by Jesus Christ to kill—destroy the remaining unsaved people involved with the **‘antichrist—Satan—False Prophet’**. Some believe that it will **‘Actually come out of His Mouth’** and some believe that **‘It will actually be in His hand’**. They do not actually provide any scripture to support their view!

**View Two:** This group believes that word **“sword”** is used **symbolically** to provide man with a **‘word picture’** that he can understand → meaning **‘Death & Destruction’**. Again, they believe that the words of this verse are speaking about the **‘Death & Destruction’** of all of the unsaved people living of the earth at this point in time, but this **‘Death & Destruction’** will not be done by some **‘Physical Action by Jesus Christ’** but rather, by **‘The Words of His Mouth or His Thoughts’**. They offer scripture like Heb. 4:12, **“For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joint and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.”** also, Eph. 6:17, **“Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God,”** and Isa. 11:4b, **“He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth; with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked.”**

## Additional Comments:

I think anyone who has even a limited knowledge of scripture knows that God/Trinity’s → **‘Power or Authority cannot Described or Defined’** → by human words/terms. Remember in Genesis 1:1, the bible states, **“In the beginning God**

created the heavens and the earth.” Meaning that God was the one that created the ‘Heaven & the Earth’. In this verse we are not told: How God → “...created the heavens and the earth.” However, in verses 3,6,9,11,14, 20, 24, we are told.

**Verse 3:** “And God said, Let there be light...”

**Verse 6:** “And God said, Let there be an expanse between the waters...”

**Verse 9:** “And God said, Let there be water under the sky...”

**Verse 11:** “Then God said, Let the land produce vegetation...”

**Verse 14:** “And God said, Let there be light in the expanse...”

**Verse 20:** “And God said, Let the water teem with living creatures...”

**Verse 24:** “And God said, Let the land produce living creatures...”

Based on these words in Genesis and the scriptural support for ‘View Two’ above, I believe that this ‘Battle—Event’ will be over in the blink of an eye. Jesus Christ will ‘Speak—Think—(?) and It Will Happen’. Satan—the antichrist—the False Prophet and all of their armies—unsaved people’ will be ‘Physically Destroyed or Dealt with in the Blink of an Eye’. This will be like ‘Rapture of the Church’ except in reverse order →

**1) Rapture:** The saints will be on the earth living there lives, and in a split-second there ‘physical body’ will be ‘Transformed in to a ‘Heavenly Body’ and they will be in Heaven with God and Jesus’,

**2) ‘Battle of Armageddon’** → Again, in ‘A Split Second’ → Satan—the antichrist—the false prophet and all of their armies—unsaved people on the earth will be transformed from a physical body to an eternal body and will be in he;; awaiting the ‘Great White Throne Judgement’ or in the ‘Lake of Burning Sulfur for all of Eternity’. **Note:** I think the ‘fallen angel’ will be in hell awaiting the ‘Great White Throne Judgment’!

## **Conclusion:**

I think God only put the words like **“sword”** into this verse to paint a mental picture that men could understand over the years. God is not a **‘Physical Being’** but an **‘Eternal Being’** and does not have to use **‘Physical Things to Implement His Will’**. **He—God only has to ‘Speak or what we would call Think’ to make things happen—Just like Creation.**

**Verse 21b: “...and the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.”** We covered this part of verse 21 back when we talked about verses 17-18 as it is talking about the same topic → **“...birds gorging...on flesh.”**

I would like to close this chapter with this verse that was written in ~700 BC, by Isaiah, to the His & God’s people; Israel, Isa. 66:22-24, **“As the new heaven and the new earth that I make will endure before me, declares the Lord, → ‘so will your name and descendants endure. From one New Moon to another and from one Sabbath to another, → all mankind will come and bow down before Me,’ says the Lord. → And they will go out and look upon the dead bodies of those who rebelled against Me; their worm will not die, nor will their fire be quenched, and they will be loathsome to all mankind.”**