



*"... For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God "*

*-1 Peter 4:17*

## THE KINGS OF THE EAST

### UNDERSTANDING A FATHER'S LOVE

*"And the sixth messenger poured out his bowl upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way might be prepared for **the kings of the east.**"*

(Rev. 16:12)

God's word speaks to his people ... his children. The law, the history, the prophecies in scripture pertain to us: his people.

God has been gracious to us. He loves us, saves us, and teaches us. He loves us as a Father loves his children ... and one facet of a father's love is correction. A loving father corrects his children because it saves them from getting lost or hurt.

*15. Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child, but the rod of correction will drive it far from him.*

Prov. 22:15

*11. Now no chastening at the time seems to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to them which are exercised thereby.*

Heb 12:11

When needed, chastisement provides essential correction to a child ... and if the child is thoughtful he benefits from it.

Thus, part of God's love for us is expressed in corrective judgment and punishment.

### JUDGMENT FORETOLD

The prophecies of God's judgments describe harsh punishments. I remember thinking, at one stage in my life, that those harsh judgments from God are meant for other people ... people I didn't like. But I was wrong. The fact is, most of the punishments listed in Scripture are meant for us

– his children – as warnings, teachings and corrections. In fact, receiving punishment from God is one of the marks that define us as his children.

*12. Blessed is the man whom You chasten, O Yahweh, and teach him out of your law;*

Ps. 94:12

*19. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.*

Rev. 3:19

*6. For whom the Lord loves He chastens and scourges every son whom He receives.*

*7. If you suffer chastening, God is dealing with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chastens not?*

*8. But if you are without chastisement, whereof all (sons) are partakers, then are you bastards, and not sons.*

Heb. 12:6-8

Bible prophecy can enlighten us with life-changing insight. But if our eyes and ears are not guided by the spirit of Christ, prophesy can leave us confused. This is especially true when the prophecies contain symbolism.

In the introductory passage (Rev. 16:12) at the beginning of this article, both literal and symbolic terms are used. It says that God is sending seven messengers with seven bowls of judgment to pour upon the earth as judgments. These are symbolic of God "pouring out" his wrath.

Don't look for winged flying beings with literal bowls pouring things down upon the ground. Rather, consider the symbolic meaning of these scriptures.

For instance, in Revelation we read of voices and messengers like trumpet blasts. These are not literal trumpets, but rather communications and warnings from God

that go out as a trumpet sound goes out, often by messengers, to reach the ears and hearts of people who have “ears to hear.”

The “bowls” of God’s wrath are symbolic of judgments from Him, falling upon us as a people. During the time of these judgments, one of the symbolic depictions is that “his temple” (our spiritual interface with Him) is “filled with smoke.” The smoke symbolizes obstruction of vision (i.e., blindness). This means that people’s ability to perceive (to see) is clouded.

This prophecy resonates with the parable in Matthew 25 that tells of ten virgins who are invited to a wedding. These virgins have lamps to help them see the pathway to the wedding.

As the time of the wedding draws closer, some of the virgins acquire oil for their lamps so they will be ready when the need is upon them. But others of the virgins do not make the effort to acquire oil for their lamps while it is available and accessible. Those who do not care enough to prepare (acquire oil) are eventually left BLIND when they are bid to attend the wedding at night and their lamps have no oil to light their pathway.

These describe circumstances where people neglect to avail themselves of God’s truths and learning although it is available to them. Like the people who stood afar and made fun of Noah before the flood rains began, these virgins left themselves unprepared. Likewise, the people who opt to avoid God’s “temple” of learning and preparation until calamity is upon them, find that it is too late. Their minds and hearts are unable to absorb truth. They are lost to confusion and blindness. This is depicted by the temple filled with smoke (in Revelation 15) when people are forced by circumstances to finally look for God, but their vision is obscured by smoke.

This depicts a handicap that afflicts Americans. It is a handicap that began in our past and has progressed in stages until today most of the people around us lack interest in truth. Their minds and hearts have atrophied until they are not able to function. They are unable to see the truths that should be obvious to them. They can’t find truth even if they look for it.

These passages in Revelation 16 depict conditions called “the seven last plagues.” These “plagues” are actually judgments from God. I don’t think they are “last” in the sense that churches have claimed. I believe these judgments are progressive punishments from God. These “plagues” (afflictions) correspond with, and depict, the creeping spiritual sickness among the societies of the western world who have historically claimed to be Christian but are not. These are the people, many of whom are descended from Jacob ... whose racial history followed the migration of Israelites through Asia Minor, Europe, England and on to America. These people, deluded by the churches and politicians, generally have called themselves “Christians.” These same people have been following a wrong god and a wrong christ. They have called the objects of their worship both “God” and “Christ,” but in fact their theologies are perverted so that they are following a god and a “savior”

that came not from the Bible, but out of Persia’s religion of Zoroaster. The origin of their “other god” they call “Satan” also came out of Persia (Babylon).

## THE “AFFLICTIONS”

The judgments listed in Revelation 16 begin with “sores” that represent early signs of spiritual sickness that comes with ignorance and tendency toward idolatry.

That, then, leads to the next affliction depicted as spiritual death and separation from God ... symbolized by blood (death) in the sea (“sea” = masses of the people).

The next affliction is corruption of “the fountains.” Fountains are sources of life. Teachers are sources of learning. This depicts corruption of teachers whose bad teachings make them complicit in the blood of the saints.

Then comes “fire” which symbolizes punishment and suffering (guilt and foreboding).

After that comes deep “darkness” – in other words, complete loss of ability to “see” (understand) what should be obvious. The loss of ability to relate to God. Men are unable to repent of evil deeds ... because in blindness they can not “see” or discriminate between good and evil. They cannot grasp God’s law.

Thus we can see a progression of spiritual sickness, getting worse as we continue to turn our backs upon God ... and this brings his corresponding judgments.

## SIN’S ERODING EFFECT

Thus, we see the background, and the pitiful state of the nations in which God’s people reside but have corrupted themselves. It has been happening for centuries under the influence of the Beast System ... the system of society these people choose as their own. This is speaking of the governments that are occupied and promoted by people who call themselves Christians ... mostly Israelites as they migrated westward out of the Middle East, through Asia Minor, Europe, England and finally to America.

These events (judgments upon judgments) lead to a grand event called **“the battle of that great day of God Almighty”** (vs. 14). This mighty battle will be facilitated, and thus find its culmination, in “the mountain” (i.e., nation) into which the families of the nations have collected together. This refers to America the “melting pot” ... the land of Armageddon.

“Armageddon” is a Greek word that means “mountain of gathering.” “Mountains” symbolize nations. Literally, it is “the melting pot” where millions of foreigners have migrated and settled. This feature is America’s claim to fame; a claim that is inscribed on a plaque in the base of America’s legendary national idol: The Statue Of Liberty standing in New York Harbor, welcoming all nations to America.

***“Give me your tired, your poor/Your huddled masses ...”***

The spiritual battle being fought at this very time is centered around America and the Babylonian System that has consumed her and has enslaved her people. That Beast

System – that Babylonish world empire has made its headquarters near the vicinity of the Statue Of Liberty (New York and Washington, DC). That empire is depicted as a dragon in Revelation 12, 13, and a beast controlled by a harlot in Rev. 17. This Beast is attempting to expand its rule to all the nations of the world.

### THE SIXTH BOWL & THE KINGS OF THE EAST

In Revelation 16:12 we read about an affliction associated with “the great river Euphrates.” The river Euphrates flows through Iraq, the land of old Babylon. The river symbolizes the Babylonian-style system that has dominated America ... the head of the Beast.

God’s judgment is falling upon the people of “the west” because they not only adopted the Babylon system, they have literally built and perfected it through the Rothschild usury banking system, and through the Roman style of government: the system of politics and banking of the west.

Babylonism, while appearing bright and powerful at first, always has the effect of eventually degrading and weakening the nation. The “unclean spirits” and “spirits of devils” (vs. 13-14) have been taking their toll on America. They’ve undermined and torn down all things good and healthy in America ... and now they are killing their host ... the inevitable result of all parasitic infections.

### DECLINING POWER

The nations (governments) that have conspired with “the harlot” (the bank system) that controls the Beast (Rev. 17:18) are now in the process of losing their fear and admiration for her. In the past they accepted her dominance. But now some of them have begun to hate her, and from time to time they secretly conspire against her (“the woman”) (Rev. 17:8-9, 16-18). The problem for them is this: when “the woman” gets unseated, the Beast System will be like a horse without an owner or a trainer. It will run out of control and lose its power. It will diminish and “fall.”

1. ... *I will show to your the judgment of the great whore that sits upon many waters (masses of people).*

2. *With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.*

6. *And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw here, I wondered with great amazement.*

Rev. 17:1, 2, 6

2. *For true and righteous are his judgments: for he has judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and has avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.*

Rev. 19:2

We of the west have been led to believe that the beast

powers (the Great Whore) had to be a nation, or a group of nations, located in the east. Russia and the old Soviet Union were our favorite candidates to be this symbolic Beast.

But, when you think about it, there has been only ONE possible nation, or group of nations, that could possibly fill the requirements to fit the description of “The Beast.” The greatest world powers for centuries now have been here in the West (Europe, England and America). For centuries these have been the locations of the great “merchants of the earth,” and the headquarters for the international usury banking system ... as well as the anti-God government system that came through Rome.

**WE HAVE BEEN LIVING IN THE BELLY OF THE BEAST ALL THESE YEARS!**

The many years of European wars, the two World Wars, and the many military invasions of smaller nations by the “Super Powers” (America, Europe, USSR, and their allies) in the past and up to present time, have brought world events to focus and fulfillment before our eyes.

The “harlot” that rides upon the Beast and controls it is the Rothschild usury banking system that has dominated the nations of the west. This system of theft and slavery is coming into more and more disfavor as it arrogantly flaunts its powers and riches before the nations of the world. This has caused the nations to begin to “hate” the woman who holds the reins (vs. 16). In time these governments (“kings”) will rise against her, “... *make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh and burn her with fire.*” (Rev. 17: 15-18). Although she has been the great power among men, she is beginning to experience a decline toward loss of position and power.

Against this backdrop we see the playing out of the prophecy portrayed in Rev. 16:12 ... where “**the kings of the east**” begin to rise to power over the west. This is occurring today ... and we can observe it if we have “eyes to see.”

The truth is, the West is declining from the apex of power it enjoyed for a long time, and the East is rising to new heights power.

### CHINA AWAKES AS AMERICA DECLINES

Two hundred years ago, Napoleon warned, “*When China wakes, it will shake the world.*”

Well, China has awakened. And now, she’s about to shake the world to its foundations – starting with the United States.

Everybody knows that China is on the move. Even despite the recent global slowdown China’s economy is still growing more than seven times faster than America’s.

But what most Americans do NOT know – what our media steadfastly refuses to admit – is that China is already so rich, it can now DICTATE economic policy to the world; even to the United States of America.

The International Monetary Fund recently published a statement that startled the world: “*For the first time, the international organization has set a date for the moment when the ‘Age of America’ will end and the U.S. economy will be overtaken by that of China.*”

According to the IMF, by 2016 China will be the world's number one economic power. But according to the prestigious Peterson Institute – and based on data just published by the University of Pennsylvania – the IMF is wrong.

Peterson and the University of Pennsylvania say China is ALREADY the world's #1 economic power.

And the thing is, they proved it.

As these prestigious institutions pointed out, when you adjust for the domestic purchasing power of respective currencies ... the U.S. economy produced goods and services valued at \$14.6 trillion in 2010 ... But China's Gross Domestic Product soared to \$14.8 trillion.

China's economy is already larger than America's.

And what's worse, the United States is falling farther behind every day: According to the official figures from both Washington and Beijing, the U.S. economy grew about 1.7% in 2011.

China's economy grew 9.2%.

That's more than SEVEN AND ONE-HALF TIMES FASTER; fast enough to nearly DOUBLE the size of China's already-massive economy once each decade.

And if you get to know a little more about both nations, China's burgeoning economic power becomes even more impressive. Because the fact is, Beijing has become so powerful, it can now dictate economic policy to the U.S.

- The Beijing government has almost no debt ...
- Washington has nearly \$145 trillion in debt.
- China has \$3.2 trillion in cash, and its cash reserves are growing larger month after month ...
- Washington has almost no cash on hand and has to borrow nearly half of every dollar it spends – much of it is borrowed from China.
- China's total tax revenues are up nearly 30% from a year ago ...
- Washington's tax revenues are dramatically down due to the sluggish U.S. economy.
- The U.S. has about 160 million workers ...
- China has 810 million workers – more than 5 times that of the United States.
- 97% of all Chinese workers are employed ...
- But 14 million U.S. workers are unemployed (about 22%).
- In China's urban areas, wages ROSE 7.6% in 2011 – and the increase was about double that in rural areas.
- Meanwhile, U.S. workers wages dropped 1.7%
- Securities valued at more than \$6 trillion trade on Chinese exchanges every day and that number is growing by leaps and bounds.
- China enjoys the largest foreign capital inflows of any nation on Earth, surpassing the United States as the world's favorite place to invest.
- China is now the world's #1 mine operator ... its #1 car maker ... its #1 manufacturer ... its #1 exporter.
- General Motors manufactures approximately 70% of its autos in China.
- China has the world's largest shopping centers, the world's finest luxury hotels,
- China is already the nation on the way UP. While

sadly, the U.S. is the nation on the way OUT.

- A study by The Program for International Student Assessment ranks Chinese students #1 in the world. American students were ranked between 14th to 37th.
- China's Tianhe-1A super computer is the fastest in the world, capable of processing more than 2.5 thousand trillion calculations per second. American technicians don't even know how that kind of speed could be possible.
- While the U.S. is winding down its space program, China is preparing to put a man on the moon!
- When you look at China's military, the contrast between the two nations gets downright scary:
  - China has THE LARGEST ARMY IN THE WORLD – 2.2 million active-duty military personnel – 600,000 more than America.
  - While the U.S. is cutting its military expenditures, China has increased military spending every year for more than 20 years ... and is still boosting it by an average of 11.8% per year. China's nuclear arsenal is especially growing while the U.S. is reducing its stockpiles.
  - China's military is state-of-the-art: It just unveiled the J-20 – its first stealth fighter. It also has spy satellites, modern battle tanks, aircraft carriers, nuclear attack submarines, cruise missiles, and more.

## THE WORLD'S #1 SUPER POWER

In the size of its economic growth ... in science ... in technology ... in the scholarship of its students ... in the growth of its military ... in every conceivable area, **China is ALREADY the world's most dominant nation.**

Because of China's new-found status as the world's #1 super power, it is now ready, willing and able to DICTATE economic policy to the rest of the world ... and that includes America. **The way of 'The Kings Of The East' has been prepared.**

These kings (nations) won't reign long ... just long enough to punish and diminish the west's Beast System. When Babylon falls, she won't rise again.

## THE CALL TO BE SEPARATE

4. *And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, "Come out of her, my people, that you be not partakers of her sins, and that you receive not of her plagues (the judgments of God upon the Great Whore.)"*

Rev. 18:4

The "Great Whore" is the ruling banking system of western nations. She goes by the labels like FED, IMF, World Bank, Bank Of International Settlement, etc.. But she has seen her best days. She has bled the west to the point of economic frustration and people are tiring of her.

Avoid her if possible. Great harm and judgment from God is coming upon her and those in her lair.

Make friends that you can trust, who stay close to Christ and aren't enamored by the Beast System.

Pray for insight from Christ,

