

# *Trinity Bible Church*

*The Carpenter's House*

**May 17, 2020**

## **The Stages of Armageddon**

### Announcements:

**Sunday      May 31      Lord Willing, time to regather.  
The Lord's Table.**

- \*\* As you know most of our blessed little group is in the "high-risk" category, so please continue to pray for personal and corporate wisdom for all of us. Having prayed for wisdom, which many of you have as well, I have sought to discern what is appropriate for our group, while getting input from the deacon board. Many of our members have indicated that they do not feel it wise for them to attend this coming Sunday so it seems best to me to continue as we have until May 31, when Phase 3 begins, because there are still a lot of restrictions for Phase 2. Arrangements have already been made to do the Lord's Table in a way that doesn't expose the elements to any potential problems of contamination.**
- \*\* If you wish to attend the recording session, please feel free to join in. It is indeed kind of lonely with only Jimmy, Roger and I, so your presence would be appreciated. We are usually done by 12:00 with only a short break in between. Normally we record on Saturday but occasionally on Friday since I have been taking care of my dad on Saturday mornings. A "heads up" will be given as early as possible as to the day and time.**
- \*\* Some have asked about how to give their offerings. You can mail them to Roger Mueller, 13225 St. Andrews Dr., OKC, OK 73122 or make them online through our website. It is safer to contribute in this manner than mailing your offering to the church.**
- \*\* A new dimension of the website has been added which are podcasts. Go to: [tbcokc.org](http://tbcokc.org) then the "Resources" tab. You will see a link to "Podcast Development" where the Revelation and Coming Events series have been added. You can also go to the "Vimeo" link and get the video of these classes and 25 other studies.**

	April	Total 2020	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions 2020
<b>Income</b>	\$ 7,037.17	\$ 31,050.17		\$ 45,629.42	\$1,875.00
<b>Expenses</b>	5,515.84	30,686.54		Missions Bal	3,650.00
<b>Balance</b>	\$ 1,521.33	\$ 363.63	\$21,486.64	\$9,246.95	\$-1775.00

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

**Economic Babylon**

**Revelation 18:6-10**

## **Events of the Second Advent: The Stages of Armageddon**

### **Section H—Events Following the Rapture on Earth**

#### **4. Events of the Second Advent**

##### **A. General Observations:**

**B. Armagedón: Dan 11:40-45; Rev 16:12-16; Joel 2-3; Rev 19:11-16; Isa 66:16-18; Eze 38:18-23; Jer 25:30-33**

##### **C. Stage One—The Invasion of Palestine. Dan 11:40**

- 1. The King of the South invades Palestine, which is being ruled by the King of the West, the Antichrist.**
- 2. About the same time, the King of the North invades Palestine.**
- 3. The King of the North is highly mechanized, has high mobility and a mammoth navy. Dan 11:40**
- 4. The King of the North will double-cross Egypt. Dan 11:41**
  - a. Russia and Egypt normally work closely together.**
  - b. Yet, in 1973, the Russians would not give Egypt all that it needed seeking to maintain a stronghold in Egypt.**
- 5. Instead of stopping in Israel, the King of the North will continue into Africa. Dan 11:42**
- 6. This happens quickly based on the description "overflow," and "pass through."**

##### **D. Stage Two—King of the North faces supply lines being cut off. Dan 11:43**

- 1. The King of the North seeks a double envelopment of Africa.**
- 2. They will seek to link with their other forces in southern and central Africa.**
- 3. They will not be using nuclear weapons, because they were all used on Economic Babylon and also because they want the wealth of Egypt intact. Jer 50-51; Rev 18**
- 4. They are gaining supplies from the countries they conquer, indicating they were in short supply, probably as a result of the rationing of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Seal. Rev 6:5-6**
- 5. The Sixth Bowl is opened here. Rev 16:12**
- 6. The King of the North receives the report. Dan 11:44**
  - a. His supply lines are in danger.**
  - b. The Kings of the East have crossed the Euphrates and have penetrated to Idumea (Edom), South of the Dead Sea.**
  - c. The King of the West brings his army to Israel, honoring the treaty that is made with the Jews. Isa 28:14-22**

- d. **The King of the West concentrates in the Valley of Jezreel in the Plain of Esdraelon about 60 miles north of Jerusalem.**
- e. **The King of the North turns back with great fury and camps outside Jerusalem. Dan 11:45**

#### **E. Stage Three—The Siege of Jerusalem**

- 1. **The setting. Joel 2:1-13**
- 2. **Those who believe during the Final Battles of the Armageddon Campaign are not to flee to the mountains, but to stay in Jerusalem and fight. Joel 3:9-10**
- 3. **The remnant, which is one-third of the population of Jerusalem, is fighting. Those with faith are claiming God's promises. Joel 2:20; Zech 13:8-9**
- 4. **The unbelieving Jews have been deluded into a false sense of security via their treaty and their pseudo-Millennium.**
- 5. **God permits all of Israel's enemies to gather for the Final Battle. Zech 14:2; cf. (summary of) Dan 11:40-44; Rev 16:12-16.**
- 6. **They have challenged the Creator. Zech 12:1**
- 7. **All nations will want Jerusalem. Zech 12:2**
- 8. **It will give them a hernia. Zech 12:3**
- 9. **The King of the North will be stopped for a time. Rev 10:1-3**
- 10. **The King of the West is from Greece and is in the Plain of Esdraelon being battled by the sons of Zion who fled to the mountains in the middle of the Tribulation. Matt 24:15-16; Zech 9:11-17; Rev 12:13-17**
- 11. **The Kings of the East are in the Valley of Jehoshaphat, south of Dead Sea. Joel 3:1-2, 11-12**
- 12. **The Lord is invisibly involved in this part of the fight. Zech 12:4-9**
- 13. **It is time for the reaping. Joel 3:13-17; Rev 14:17-20**
- 14. **Grace still offers another opportunity to repent and believe. Zech 12:10-11; Joel 2:12**

## **The Description of Economic Babylon Revelation 18:6-10**

### **Section D—The Things Which Will Be 4:1–22:5**

#### **13. Religious and Economic Babylon 17:1-18:24**

##### **18:1 = The Heavenly Messenger**

**L.T. = After these things I saw another angel coming down out of the heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory.**

##### **18:2 = The Announcement**

**L.T. = And he cried out with a mighty voice saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the Great! And she has become a dwelling place of demons and a haunt of every category of unclean spirit, and a haunt of every category of unclean and despicable carrion bird.**

##### **18:3 = The "Why" of Verse Two**

**L.T. = "For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the anger of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have fornicated with her, and the international merchants of the earth have become rich by the power of her arrogant luxury.**

#### **d. The Description of the Entity 18:4-20**

##### **18:4 = The Divine Announcement**

**L.T. = And I heard another voice from the heaven, saying, "Come out of her my people, that you may not fellowship with her sins and that you may not receive of her plagues.**

##### **18:5 = The Reason for the Command**

**L.T. = For her sins have been cemented together as high as the heaven, and the God has remembered her crimes.**

##### **18:6 = The Judgment on Her Thievery**

**L.T. = You all render to her as indeed she has rendered, and you all pay back double the doubles according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, you all mix a double for her.**

##### **Summary:**

- 1. This judgment is for her thievery as documented by the Mosaic Law. Exo 22:4,7,9**
- 2. An equal amount of legitimately gained wealth is lost.**
- 3. Based on the extent of judgment the illegitimately gained wealth of the nation will meet or exceed 50% of the national income.**
- 4. Divine permission has been given to earthly agents to execute this judgment.**
- 5. This nation has used her prosperity for evil and has rendered evil to those loyal to her.**
- 6. To whom much is entrusted, much is required. Luke 12:48**

##### **18:7 = The Judgment on Arrogance and Idolatry**

**L.T. = "To the degrees that she glorified herself and lived in arrogant luxury, to the same degree you all give her torment and sorrow; for she says in her heart, 'I am sitting as a queen and I am not a widow, and may never see sorrow.'**

**Summary:**

1. This judgment is on the arrogance and idolatry of this entity.
2. This entity becomes a materialistic pantheist.
3. The judgment is both physical and mental. Cf. Isa 13:6-9
4. The farther this entity descends into evil, the more arrogant she becomes. Isa 47:7-8; Jer 50:31
5. The arrogance comes from vast human knowledge (Isa 47:10), prophesied by Daniel. Dan 12:4
6. The national conscience rejects the idea of personal destruction.
7. They are deluded by an incorrect evaluation of their past history and their "Messiah Complex."
8. The New Age Movement promotes glorification of self, which this entity has embraced.

**18:8 = The Type of Judgment and End of Announcements**

**L.T. = For this reason in one day her plagues will arrive, death and sorrow and famine, and she will be utterly burned down with fire, for the Lord God, the One having judged her is strong.**

**Summary:**

1. The arrogance of this entity is the primary basis for the swiftness and totality of the destruction.
2. Jesus Christ made the decision that is ultimately behind the judgment although He is not the agent of the destruction. Jer 51:11,12,24,36,44,52,55
3. The King of the North will be the agent. Isa 13:3,17-20; Jer 50:9,41; 51:1-2
4. All will die. Jer 50:13,21,26,29,39,40
5. All will experience sorrow before they die. Jer 50:43
6. The resultant famine will extend to the rest of the earth. Isa 21:5
7. The total burning indicates it will be as devastating as a nuclear holocaust. Isa 13:8,18; 47:14; Jer 50:32; 51:25, 32 cf. Rev 18:10,15,17

**18:9 = The Reaction of the World Leaders**

**L.T. = And the kings of the earth, the ones having fornicated, even having lived in arrogant luxury with her, will wail and beat themselves over her when they may see the smoke of her burning.**

**Summary:**

1. The loss of this prostitute brings almost universal mourning.
2. Once again notice that this affects the world and not just a small part of it.

3. The destruction described that occurs in one literal day requires a technology far beyond that of the first century.
4. It is clearly a judgment by fire.

### **18:10 = Nuclear Destruction?**

**L.T. = Standing at a long distance because of the fear of her torment, saying, "Woe, woe, the great city, Babylon, the mighty city"! For in one hour your judgment has come.**

### **Summary:**

1. **Prophetical Babylon is unapproachable by man after the destruction. Isa 13:20; Jer 50:3,39,40; 51:26,37,43**
2. **This occurs much earlier in the Tribulation as great earthquakes, 100 pound hailstones, torture by demons and the nova of the sun would be much more pressing problems than mourning the loss of money.**
3. **The two "Woes" are probably for the economic loss and the military protection that this entity offered.**
4. **A literal hour of 60 minutes demands weapons that were not in existence in the ancient world.**
5. **The Sequence of events:**
  - a. **The First Angel–14:6**
  - b. **The Seal Judgments–Chapter 6**
  - c. **The Second Angel-14:7-8; 18:1**
  - d. **Religious Babylon Destroyed–Chapter 17**
  - e. **Economic Babylon Destroyed–Chapter 18**
  - f. **The Third Angel–14:9**