The Revelation of

Yeshua The Messiah To Yochanan (John)

Study Notes

Chapter 16 PT. 1: The Bowls of Wrath

Revelation 16:1-11 (NASB)

The Final Phase: The Bowls of Wrath

"1 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple, saying to the seven angels, 'Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God.' 2 So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth; and a harmful and painful sore afflicted the people who had the mark of the beast and who worshiped his image. ³ The second angel poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became blood like that of a dead man; and every living thing in the sea died. ⁴ Then the third angel poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of waters; and they became blood. ⁵ And I heard the angel of the waters saying, 'Righteous are You, the One who is and who was, O Holy One, because You judged these things; ⁶ for they poured out the blood of saints and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. They deserve it. And I heard the altar saying, 'Yes, Lord God, the Almighty, true and righteous are Your judgments.' ⁸ And the fourth *angel* poured out his bowl upon the sun, and it was given *power* to scorch people with fire. ⁹ And the people were scorched with fierce heat; and they blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues, and they did not repent so as to give Him glory. ¹⁰ And the fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became darkened; and they gnawed their tongues because of pain, ¹¹ and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pain and their sores; and they did not repent of their deeds."

Understanding: This is the chronological timeline of the end of the earth as we know it! These plagues are about to unleash such devastation that if the Lord had not returned, there would be nothing and no one left.

Matthew 24:22 (AMP) "And if those days [of tribulation] had not been cut short, no human life would be saved; but for the sake of the elect (God's chosen ones) those days will be shortened."

Key: Thanks be to G-d, Yeshua is Faithful!



Note: The next chronological event will be in **Chapter 19** when Jesus does just that! He returns with all the Saints riding with Him!

Verse 1

"It's Go Time"

Revelation 16:1 (NASB) "...I heard a loud voice from the temple, saying to the seven angels, 'Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God."



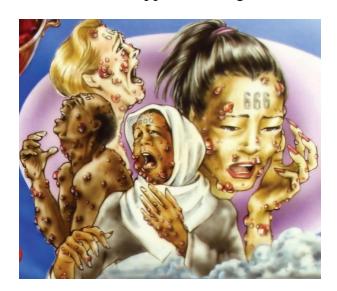
Let's now look at each of these bowls individually.



Verse 2

"The First Angel"

- Poured out loathsome and malignant sores.
- The sores covered those with the Mark of the Beast.
- The sores covered those who worshipped his image.



Loathsome-(Greek)-apechthís-disgusting, revolting or repulsive.

Malignant-(Greek)-karkinos-tumor, life-threatening disease.

Note: This is utter torment to the flesh to all who chose the beast!

Verse 3

"The Second Angel"

- Poured out his bowl on the sea.
- The sea turned to blood like that of a corpse (foul and disgusting).
- Every living thing in the sea died.



Note: The food supply is cut off from the earth!

- Can you even imagine the smell that covers every inch of air?
- Not one thing remains alive in the sea.

Verse 4

"The Third Angel"



- Poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of water.
- The rivers and springs turned to blood.

Note: The water supply is cut off from the earth. Not only are they hungry but they are also now thirsty, only they can no longer be filled!

Matthew 5:6 (KJV) – "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled."

Note: Jesus used the phrase "hunger and thirst" in **Matthew 5** as a metaphor in biblical times, when water and food was scarce and would relay the sense of urgency. But here in Revelation, that time has come and gone.

Verses 5-7

"And They Stopped To Worship"

Revelation 16:5-7 (AMP) "⁵ And I heard the angel of the waters saying, 'Righteous *and* just are You, Who are and Who were, O Holy One, because You judged these things; ⁶ for they have poured out the blood of the saints (God's people) and the prophets, and You [in turn] have given them blood to drink. <u>They deserve</u> <u>Your judgment</u>. And I heard [another from] the altar saying, 'Yes, O Lord God, the Almighty [the Omnipotent, the Ruler of all], <u>Your judgments are true and fair and righteous</u>."



Note: Father allowed the Apostle John to see something so powerful! In such utter devastation and what could even seem horribly harsh, John was shown the very Angel that has poured out the judgement on the waters stop and give G-d praise.

Question: Why would Father need John to see and record this moment?

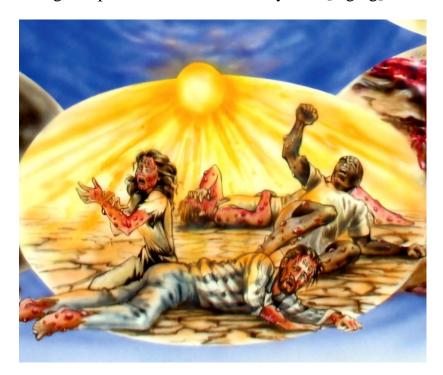
Answer: So that everyone that reads this epistle, would understand that Yahweh ALWAYS judges in Righteousness. He is always to be praised even when we witness horrible things; we must rest in His Sovereignty.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NASB) – "'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans for prosperity and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

Verse 8

"The Fourth Angel"

- Poured out his bowl on the sun.
- The sun was given power to scorch humanity with [raging] fire.



Understanding: Now it becomes even clearer why the Angels paused to Praise G-d. Anyone who does not truly know Him would think Him to be cruel. But Verse 9 shows us He is not!

Verse 9

Revelation 16:9 (AMP) – "People were [severely] burned by the great heat; and they <u>reviled</u> the name of God who has power over these plagues, but they did not repent [of their sin] and glorify Him."

KJV use – "blasphemed the name of God".

Blasphemed-(Greek)-blasphemeo-rail, speak reproachfully against, to speak evil of.



Note: The phrase, "they still would not repent", lets us know, they still could have! Selah.

Verse 10

"The Fifth Angel"

- Poured out his bowl upon the seat of the beast (The Anti-Christ in Rome).
- His kingdom was full of darkness (The Revised Roman Empire).
- They gnawed their tongues out because of the pain.

Note: This fifth bowl is not a universal judgment but it is focused to specifically target the Throne of the Beast. It targets the kingdom of darkness and the heart of its power on the earth.



Verse 11

"The Blasphemy of G-d In Heaven"

- They curse G-d because of their pain and sores.
- They still will not repent.

Romans 1:18-20 (NASB) - "¹⁸ For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of people who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, ¹⁹ because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes*, *that is*, His eternal power and divine nature, **have been clearly perceived**, being understood by what has been made, so that **they are without excuse**."

Understanding: At some point in every human's life, everyone would have had the chance to choose the G-d of Heaven. Make the right choice **NOW** while you can!



Hebrews 3:7-8 (NASB) – "⁷ Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, 'Today if you hear His voice, ⁸ Do not harden your hearts as when they provoked Me, As on the day of trial in the wilderness,"

The End