

Series: Revelation

Revelation 16:2-15 Handout

The plagues of chapters 8 & 9 _____ (a third of the trees etc.) but affected _____ humanity (saints and sinners alike.) The plagues of chapter 16 are _____ but limited to those who are _____ the Redeemed.

I. Revelation 16:2

- a. "...on the land..."
 - i. Where the _____ beast came from.
 - 1. See Revelation 13:11
 - ii. The same as the first trumpet.
 - 1. See Revelation 8:7
- b. "...ugly, festering sores..."
 - i. The _____ Egyptian plague
 - 1. See Exodus 9:8-9
 - ii. "boils" - an _____ caused by impurities _____ the body.
 - c. "...who had the mark...and worshiped..."

II. Revelation 16:3

- a. "...on the sea..."
 - i. Where the _____ beast came from.
 - 1. See Revelation 13:1
 - ii. Same as the second trumpet.
 - 1. See Revelation 8:8
 - iii. The _____ Egyptian plague
 - 1. See Exodus 7:19-21
- b. "...blood like that of a dead person..."
 - i. Not _____, but coagulated, putrid, rotting, and pungent.
- c. "...and every living thing in the sea died."
 - i. Judgment is _____ not partial.

III. Revelation 16:4

- a. "...rivers and springs of water..."
 - i. Same as the third trumpet.
 - 1. See Revelation 8:10

IV. Revelation 16:5-6

- a. "...angel in charge of the waters..."
 - i. Describing the _____ angel in verse 4.
 - ii. Or, God has ministering angels over _____ aspects of creation.

- b. "You are just..."
 - i. God's judgments are not _____ but an _____ of His holy nature .
- c. "...you have given them blood..."
 - i. They _____ blood, God gave them blood. Just not the blood they _____.

V. Revelation 16:7

- a. "...the altar responded..."
 - i. The _____ altar of 6:9-11 under which the saints cry out.
 - ii. Or the _____ altar of 8:3-5 which is the prayers of the saints.
 - iii. Both agree that God is Just.

VI. Revelation 16:8-9

- a. "...on the sun..."
 - i. Same as the fourth trumpet.
 - 1. See Revelation 8:12
 - ii. God's _____ on His foes.
 - 1. See Psalm 97:3, 7
- b. "...seared by the intense heat..."
 - i. Instead of darkness as in the other plagues earlier in the book, the sun _____ its heat.
 - 1. The plagues poured out in this chapter are the same as those mentioned earlier but this vision describes them in much, much, _____ terms.
- c. "...refused to repent..."
 - i. See again Revelation 9:20
 - 1. The punishment for sin covered by the first four seals, trumpets, and bowls were intended to both _____ sin but also to lead to _____.
 - 2. Like the previous visions, these plagues describe the _____ that will be part of what leads to the _____ of Rome.

VII. Revelation 16:10-11

- a. "...throne of the beast..."
 - i. The Roman Empire
- b. "...plunged into darkness..."
 - i. The _____ Egyptian plague
 - 1. See Exodus 10:21
- c. "...refused to repent..."

- i. Same as verse 9
- d. "...gnawed their tongues..."
 - i. Several possibilities
 1. They curse God so _____ and _____, that they bite their tongues.
 2. They bite their tongues to _____ from _____ God and repent.
 3. They bite their tongues to _____ them from the pain of the previous plagues.
 4. Like the previous visions, these plagues describe the _____ that will be part of what leads to the fall of Rome.

VIII. Revelation 16:12

- a. "...Euphrates..."
 - i. The kingdom's _____.
- b. "...the kings from the East..."
 - i. Two possibilities
 1. The armies gathered to battle _____ the Lord.
 - a. See 16:14
 2. The _____ armies that bring about Rome's down fall.
 3. Since this is the same as the _____ trumpet (9:13), I lean toward this interpretation.

IX. Revelation 16:13

- a. "...the dragon..."
 - i. Satan
 1. See Revelation 12:15
 2. A river of _____ in an attempt to _____ the church.
 - b. "...the beast..."
 - i. The emperor signifying the Roman empire.
 1. See Revelation 13:5
 2. _____
 - c. "...the false prophet..."
 - i. The second beast
 - ii. The Imperial Cult
 1. See Revelation 13:15
 2. _____ to entice the world to worship the emperor.

X. Revelation 16:14

- a. "...the kings of the whole world..."

- i. Emperor worship is enforced upon the Roman conquered kingdoms and peoples

XI. Revelation 16:15

- a. This is the _____ of these 7 bowls just as there was between the sixth and seventh _____ and sixth and seventh _____.
- b. These words are interjected by _____ to encourage _____ in the midst of the chaos of the coming war.