

## Series: Revelation

### Revelation 16:16-17:1 Handout

Before we begin 16:16, we need to go back a few verses to 16:12

#### I. Revelation 16:12

- a. "...its waters were dried up..."
  - i. See Joshua 3:15-16
  - ii. God \_\_\_\_\_ the eastern border so His army may \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ pagan nations.

#### II. Revelation 16:16

- a. "...Armageddon..." or Har-Magedon..."
  - i. Hebrew for '\_\_\_\_\_ of Megiddo'.
    - 1. There is \_\_\_\_\_ actual Mount of Megiddo in Palestine.
    - 2. There is a town of Megiddo, a Valley of Megiddo, also known as the Valley of \_\_\_\_\_.
      - a. It possible that John \_\_\_\_\_ uses a place that \_\_\_\_\_ exist so that the recipients would know that he is not talking about a specific place but \_\_\_\_\_ events that occurred in and around Megiddo.
  - ii. Megiddo is mentioned \_\_\_\_\_ times in the Old Testament.
    - 1. One of the kings \_\_\_\_\_ by Joshua - Joshua 12.
    - 2. A part of Manasseh \_\_\_\_\_ - Joshua 17 and Judges 1.
    - 3. The site of significant battles in Jewish history.
      - a. Deborah and Barak over Jabin and Sisera - Judges 4 & 5.
      - b. The defeat of King Ahaziah by King Jehu - 2 Kings 9.
      - c. The defeat of King Josiah by Pharaoh Necco - 2 Kings 23.
- b. So, what is John referring to?
  - i. Several possibilities presented:
    - 1. An \_\_\_\_\_ war in Palestine between the nations of the world led by the \_\_\_\_\_ ushering in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.
    - 2. \_\_\_\_\_ a location where the 1st century Christians knew battles of great \_\_\_\_\_ were fought.
      - a. A significant, symbolic battle between God and the oppressive nation of Rome will take place

3. The most important "mount" near Megiddo is Mount \_\_\_\_\_.

a. See 1 Kings 18:19-20

b. Those this letter was written to knew Mt. Carmel was where God \_\_\_\_\_ pagan opponents.

III. Revelation 16:17

a. "...into the air..."

b. See Ephesians 2:2

i. The 5th bowl was poured out on the emperor and his kingdom.

ii. The 7th bowl is poured out on \_\_\_\_\_.

IV. Revelation 16:18, 21

a. "...lightning, rumblings, thunder...earthquake."

i. See Revelation 8:5 and 11:19.

ii. Each of the 3 scenes (the 7 seals, the 7 trumpets and the 7 bowls) all end with a description of God's \_\_\_\_\_.

1. See Ezekiel 38:18-22, Joshua 10:11

b. "...huge hailstones."

i. See again 11:19

c. "No earthquake like it has ever occurred..."

d. "...each weighing about a 100 pounds..."

i. The judgment is presented with greater \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, as each scene closes.

V. Revelation 16:19

a. "The great city..."

i. See Revelation 14:8

1. The city of \_\_\_\_\_

b. "...split into three parts..."

i. See Ezekiel 5:1-4

1. \_\_\_\_\_

VI. "...the cup filled..."

a. The time for \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_.

VII. Revelation 16:20

a. "Every island...could not be found."

i. There will be no place to \_\_\_\_\_ when God \_\_\_\_\_ His wrath.

Chapter 16 closes with the emptying of the seventh bowl, but this is not the conclusion of this, the third scene. In 17:1-20:10, John is allowed to view the effects of the seventh bowl in detail. A plainer description of and clarification of who the recipient of God's wrath is provided, the actual "battle" is presented, and the responses are recorded.

Like the previous two scenes (seals and trumpets) John presents the forces that will bring down Rome; natural \_\_\_\_\_, internal \_\_\_\_\_, and external \_\_\_\_\_.

VIII. Revelation 17:1

- a. "Come, I will show you..."
  - i. An opportunity to witness the seventh bowl in detail.

IX. Revelation 17:1-18

- a. "...the great \_\_\_\_\_..."
- b. "...by many \_\_\_\_\_..."
- c. "...scarlet \_\_\_\_\_..."
- d. "...seven \_\_\_\_\_..."
- e. "...ten \_\_\_\_\_..."
- f. "...seven \_\_\_\_\_..."

X. Revelation 17:1b

- a. "...by many waters..."
  - i. Answer found in 17:15
    - 1. A powerful \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. See Jeremiah 51:11-13
    - 1. Refers to \_\_\_\_\_