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Proverbs 7:2 – Matthew 5:6 – John 8:32 – II Timothy 3:16-17 – Hebrews 4:12
“Let us Hunger For Truth”

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The Book of Revelation (Chapter 19) (Dr. Thomas Strouse)

The following is **part 19** of a study on the book of Revelation by Dr. Thomas Strouse who is Pastor of Bible Baptist Church and Theological Seminary in Cromwell, CT (www.bbc-cromwell.org). It is a syllabus written by Dr. Strouse. It is the HFT editors desire that this study helps you grasp the deep truths within this incredible book! Please look for a chapter from this syllabus posted in upcoming issues of Hunger For Truth. We trust this will be edifying and convicting as well as a blessing and encouragement to readers. Thank you for reading. We praise God for the privilege of being able to share this study with you. May God richly bless!

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CHAPTER 19

Background

Chapter 19 connects with chapter 16 chronologically and reveals the Second Coming of Christ at the conclusion of the Tribulation.

Exposition

Rev. 19:1-21

The Heavenly Praise (Rev. 19:1-6)

Four spontaneous expressions of “*alleluia*” come out of heaven in anticipation for the Second Coming. Saints will praise the Lord for avenging their martyrdom.

The Marriage of the Lamb (Rev. 19:7-10)

The consummation of the marriage of the Lord to His bride will occur at the respective resurrections. Following the consummation will be the marriage supper, which presumably will be the Millennium (cf. Is. 25:6).

The Second Coming of the King (Rev. 19:11-21)

Christ will conclude the battle of Armageddon, accompanied with his resurrected NT saints coming on white horses, to destroy the Antichrist and his army (cf. Zech. 14:1 ff.). At this time he will cast the Antichrist and False Prophet into the Lake of Fire.

Theological Concerns

“*Bride*” is a soteriological metaphor, which metaphor applies to all believers. The consummation of the Bridegroom to His bride will occur at the various respective resurrections (NT saints at the Rapture; OT and Tribulation saints at the Revelation; Millennial saints at the end of the 1000 year reign of Christ). Ancient biblical weddings focused on the contract, the consummation, and the celebration of the couple.

Textual Issues

Rev. 19:13—ASV follows the CT and has “sprinkled with” rather than TR’s “*dipped in*” blood.

Summary of Chapter Nineteen

Christ’s Second Coming will evoke joy in heaven, and woe on earth to the Antichrist and his army.

Christian Liberty (By: Pastor Cas Reeves) (Source: 1/14/15 Heritage Herald)

What is Christian liberty? Today, saved people seem to be calling upon it all the time? “I can do this or that, because I have Christian liberty.” For the most part, those who seem to call upon it are missing the point. It’s not about them, but it is about others. It is not a license for believers to do as they wish, but to follow biblical principles of their Savior and others. So, Christian liberty is Bible liberty.

TEXT: Galatians 5:13

- I. It comes with being called or saved (Galatians 5:13)
 - A. It is a position that demands death to the flesh - not license for the flesh
 - B. It is a position that demands service to others
 - 1. by love
 - 2. by walking in the Spirit (vs. 16)

- II. It comes with responsibility (1 Corinthians 8:8-9)
 - A. The believer is not commended to God by it - to stand with or any closer to God
 - B. The believer is warned about it
 - 1. don't be a stumbling block
 - 2. two ways of thinking:
 - a. fleshly: “I can do this.”
 - b. biblically: “Should I do this?”

- III. It comes with boundaries (1 Corinthians 8:9-13)
 - A. It is not a license to sin (1 Corinthians 8:12)
 - B. It is not to be a stumbling block (1 Corinthians 8:13)
 - C. It is to edify (1 Corinthians 10:23)
 - D. It is to glorify God (1 Corinthians 10:31)

Are you using your liberty in a Bible way or misusing it?

Only Jesus Saves! (John 14:6)

JESUS CAME – John 1:29

When John the Baptist saw Jesus, he declared, “Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” Jesus came for a purpose which is important to all mankind, that He might redeem mankind from the penalty of their sin.

- I. He came to warn us: *that few find Life* (Matthew 7:13-14)
 - A. Broad is the way that leads to destruction (7:13)
 - B. Narrow is the way that leads to Life (7:14)
- II. He came to show us: *He was God’s promised Messiah*

- A. His birth
- B. His life / ministry
- C. His death
- D. His resurrection

III. He came to give us: *abundant Life*

- A. To give us an entrance to salvation (John 10:9)
- B. To give us an abundant life (John 10:10)
- C. To give us a way to the heavenly Father (John 14:6)
- D. To give us eternal life (John 6:47)

IV. He came to invite us

- A. To eternal life (John 6:47)
- B. To Himself (Revelation 3:20)

Have you received the abundant life that Jesus offers? Are you saved, having received His invitation to open your heart and receive Him as your Savior?

:) Children For Christ :)

A Friend of God

Memory Verse: James 2:23 – And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.

1. Read the story below:

PEN PALS

One sunny Saturday afternoon Jacob ran into the living room, opening an envelope. “We got a letter from Joseph!” Jacob said to his mother.

His mother smiled. “That’s wonderful. What does it say?” Jacob’s family had decided to sponsor a needy child from another country. They agreed to send money each month to an organization called Giving International. That way, the organization could feed Joseph, help him stay healthy, help educate him, and tell him about Jesus. And the best part was, Jacob and Joseph were going to be pen pals!

“There’s Joseph’s handwriting,” Jacob said, “but it’s in Bemba.” *(an African language)* His mom asked, “Isn’t it translated into English?” Luke flipped the letter over. “Oh, yeah. Here it is.” He read it. “Wow! Joseph goes to school like me, and he loves soccer too.” Jacob lived in Pennsylvania. Joseph lived in Zambia, which is in southern Africa. Using the Internet, Jacob and his parents had learned a lot about Zambia. Jacob wanted to go there someday and meet Joseph in person and see all the animals around there. He also wanted to see, with Joseph, Victoria Falls which is the largest waterfall in the world. It was cool having a friend in another country. Grabbing a pencil, Jacob said, “I’m gonna write back and tell Joseph all about me and especially all about JESUS!” Jacob was so excited to write a letter to Joseph! He talked all about how Jesus lived, died, was buried and rose again that all might live. When

he was done he drew a picture of Victoria Falls on the back of his letter. Finally, he put a gospel tract in the envelope and sealed it. Jacob was so happy!

Prayer allows you to be “pen pals” with God. Although you can’t see God now, you can build a friendship with him through prayer. And someday, thru faith in Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, you’ll meet God face-to-face and be with Jesus forever in Heaven!

2. Fill in the blank: Abraham was called the _____ of God.
3. Read Exodus 33:11. Here God spoke to Moses face to face as one speaks to a? A. Friend B. Enemy C. None of the above
4. Please research and write down on a blank piece of paper ways you can be a pen pal to a needy child somewhere in the world and most of all share the gospel with them? You can ask your parents for help.
5. The last part of the story talks about prayer allowing you to be “pen pals” with God. Do you pray to God daily? He is your Best Friend!
6. Take some time to pray to God for your family, friends and your church.

Consider This: (Quotes)

“Angels—like all other intelligent creatures---were designed to render worship to God, not to receive worship themselves... – *John M.*

“There are 256 names given in the Bible for the Lord Jesus Christ, and I suppose this was because He was infinitely beyond all that any one name could express.” – *Billy Sunday*

“God's ways are behind the scenes, but He moves all the scenes which He is behind.” --*John Darby*

“He became what we are that He might make us what He is.” --*Athanasius*

“If Jesus Christ be God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for Him.” – *C.T. Studd*

Praises and Prayer Requests

Praises

- Praise God for safety, provision and protection thru the blizzard of 2015!

Prayer Requests

- Mike Jordan (Being discipled by Bro. Lacroix)
- Brother Andrew Lacroix (Vehicle need)
- Salvation of Brother Andrew Lacroix's family
- Salvation of Wendy and friend Ben, Jacob, Kaitlyn, Sybil and Bernice (Family of Craig Glickman)
- Kelly Freeman (Cystic Fibrosis)
- Job needs for Brother Craig

- Sarra Family (Missionaries to Zambia Africa) (John – Health needs – back, liver) (Coming to the states on furlough in winter of 2015!)
- Wisdom regarding developing the new location for Heritage Baptist Church in Norwood, MA center.
- Sherrie (Sister of Bro. Craig's Fiancee Tash) (Lymph Nodes) (Heart issues)
- Wedding for Bro. Craig and Sister Tash on May 2, 2015
- Abby Lafreniere (ALS) (Wife of Pastor John Lafreniere, church planter to Fairfield, CT)
- Dr. Michael Thompson (Member of Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA) (Brain cancer)
- Pastor Gary Freeman (Race Street Baptist Church in Catasauqua, PA) who is battling colon cancer
- Missionary Tim Hawes (To Papua New Guinea) (Church Planting, Bible Translation, Agricultural Development)
- Brother Bill Moore of Heritage Baptist Church (Health needs)
- Needs of the body at First Bible Baptist Church of Plainville, CT
- Needs of the body at Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA
- Needs of the body at Community Baptist Church of Quakertown, PA
- Needs of the body at Race Street Baptist Church of Catasauqua, PA
- Needs of the body at Heartland Baptist Church of Alliance, NE
- Needs of the body at New Hope Baptist Church of Lynn, MA
- Needs of the body at Chester Baptist Church of Chester, MA

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Thank you for reading this. We praise God for all our dear brothers and sisters in Christ and we greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

**His Servants,
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 Prov. 3:5-6 1 Thes. 5:18**

