



Hunger For Truth

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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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It is our desire that Hunger For Truth edifies, blesses and encourages you in your walk with the Lord. Thank you all for taking the time to read this and for your prayers for us. We greatly appreciate your comments and we praise God for each and every one of you.

Merry Christmas!! Happy New Year!!



Luke 2:15-20

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The Book of Revelation (Chapter 16) (Dr. Thomas Strouse)

The following is **part #** 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!

The Book of Revelation / Thomas M. Strouse / Rev. 16 **CHAPTER 16**

Background

John heard a “great” (cf. Rev. 16:9, 12, 14, 17, 18, and 19) voice instructing the angels. The seven angels will pour out the seven Vial Judgments, culminating in the Lamb’s wrath and setting up Christ’s coming.

Exposition

Rev. 16:1-21

The First Three Vial Judgments (Rev. 16:1-7)

The seven Vial Judgments will be poured out upon the worshippers of the Antichrist, including sores upon them (the First), death at sea (the Second), and bloody judgment on the water supplies (the Third). Man will be forced to drink blood as his only beverage, a divine abomination.

The Fourth Vial Judgment (Rev. 16:8-9)

The Fourth Vial affected the heat of the sun, scorching the inhabitants of earth, but not moving them to repentance.

The Fifth Vial Judgment (Rev. 16:10-11)

The Fifth Vial brought darkness on the beast’s kingdom, causing them to gnaw in pain but not repenting.

The Sixth Vial Judgment (Rev. 16:12)

The Sixth dried up the Euphrates, allowing the armies of the east to advance into the holy land for the battle of Armageddon.

The Personages of Armageddon (Rev. 16:13-16)

The evil triad is likened to frogs, who will use deception and orchestrate the strategy for the battle of Armageddon (the dragon represents the Father, the first beast [Antichrist] represents Christ,

and the false prophet represents the Spirit).

The Seventh Vial Judgment (Rev. 16:17-21)

The culminating devastation of the Seventh Vial Judgment will hit Jerusalem and Babylon with a world-wide earthquake, and will commence hail to unrepentant mankind.

Theological Concerns

Terrible, painful judgment does not bring repentance to sinners; only the convicting work of the Holy Spirit through His word.

Textual Issues

Rev. 16:5—TR has *o` evso,menoj* (“*shalt be*”) whereas the CT has *o` o[sioj* (“the Holy One”). The TR reading has been preserved in the two Greek fathers Alexander of Clement and Gregory of Nyssa, and in the Spanish Beatus in Latin (*futurus es*), and completes the formula (cf. Rev. 1:4, 8; 4:8; 11:17).

Summary of Chapter Sixteen

The Seven Vial Judgments will be poured out on the Antichrist and his followers and the conclusion of the Tribulation.

Special Prayers (Source: Unknown - From a church men's prayer advance bulletin)

Prayer for Personal Examination

(Ask the Lord to show you anything that is offensive, unloving or displeasing to Him in your life, or that still needs to be confessed – claim 1 John 1:9)

Dear Lord, you know I have a problem with _____. I know this is displeasing to You and hurts You. I don't want to _____, yet as much as I have tried to stop, I have been too weak to stop permanently. I give up. If I am ever going to stop, You will have to give me the power stop. I ask You to teach me to truly depend on Your strength and not my own. I ask You, through Your Spirit, to remind me the next time I am about to _____. Show me what I have to do to resist this sin and then give me the courage and wisdom to do so. I believe I am asking according to Your will. Therefore, I claim Your promise in 1 John 5:14-15 that You will answer yes to my request. Thank You that I will be victorious in this. I believe dear Lord, help my unbelief. In Jesus Name, Amen!

Prayer of Confession

Dear heavenly Father, You know I have a weakness, a besetting sin of _____. I battle with getting the victory. I know it is wrong and it hurts You, but I am too weak to stop. In some ways I'm scared to stop. I fear the consequences of stopping and turning back again. But I love You from my heart, and I don't want anything to be between us. I am now pleading for You to take charge and give me the desire to give this up once and for all. Teach me to fear ugly sin more than I love myself. Teach me to fear You more than I love sin. Help me to fully trust You in this area, as difficult as I know that may be. I know I will never be able to stop without Your power, so I ask for it now. Forgive me, wash

me clean and keep me from this evil. Thank You that You want this so much more than I do and that You will change my desires. I love and trust You. In Jesus Name, Amen!

Prayer for Personal Godliness

Father, thank You for the cleaning You have promised to do in my life. I long to live a perfect and holy life before You. I know this is what You desire. But, it seems that sometimes I let things crowd You out; that I don't really know how to love and worship You the way I see David and others doing in the Scriptures. Let me be like David who longed for You as the deer thirsts for water in the middle of a drought. I want to enjoy You as I would my husband/wife, to love You as my most intimate friend. Give me back a **“first love”** for You, drawing me ever closer to You, being more in tune with Your thoughts, Your way. I desire always to be in the absolute center of Your will, doing only what You want, being Your eyes, ears, arms, legs, and voice.

Help me have a meaningful, quality quiet time with You each day. Wake me up refreshed and wide awake. Teach me each day more about You, Your ways.

Let the Scriptures come more alive for me, and be as sweet as honey to me as they were to David, or to Job who called them more important than his very food. Father, help me to regularly meditate on and memorize Your Word. Show me how to resist carnality and be in prayer throughout my day. Teach me how to pray effectively for those I love. Show me their needs and then give me Scriptures to claim for them. Teach me to pray according to according to Your heart. Let my every thought, my every action, always be pleasing to You. In Jesus Name, Amen! [Ps. 42; Isa. 64]

Only Jesus Saves! (John 14:6)

The Precious Gift

--Based on a devotional by Pastor C. Staub (11/13 & 12/13 Baptist Bread)

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16

The writer, O. Henry, wrote a touching story called, “The Gift of the Magi.” The story in brief is about a poor young couple in love, and they each wanted to give a very special gift to the other for Christmas. She was an attractive young lady with beautiful hair, but she had only a dollar and some change. The young man had a job that did not even pay for all their living needs. The only thing of real value he owned was a gold pocket watch, a gift from his grandfather. The young bride found a place that would buy her hair. She had it cut off and bought a gold watch chain for her husband. He had no money, so he sold his gold watch to buy his wife an exquisite set of ornamental combs that his wife had desired for her beautiful, long hair. The gist of the story is that they gave the most precious thing they owned for their love one.

God gave the most One He had! Have you given your heart to Him? This Christmas season of 2014, have you repented of your sinful lost condition and put your faith in Jesus Christ alone to save you and give you eternal life? What precious thing have you given to your Saviour? How precious is He to you?

“Unto you therefore which believe he is precious:...” (1 Peter 2:7a)

“Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.” (II Cor. 9:15)

:) Children For Christ :)

Christmas Verses

Memory Verse: *“Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.”* (II Cor. 9:15)

1. On a blank piece of paper, please find as many verses in the Bible as you can find that speak about the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ, one of those is your memory verse, and write a sentence about each verse.
2. On a blank piece of paper, please write 10 reasons why you are thankful for Christmas.

Consider This: (Quotes)

“Does the salvation of a sinner rest on what a sinner can do? On what Christ will do? No! It rests on what Christ has done! --W.T.P.W.

“The closer we get to Him, the more clearly we see and understand our matchless Creator!”

“Too often we're defensive. We don't take the time to listen—to really love, and to take seriously the questions people are asking.”

“The spectacular beauty of creation reveals a God who is present, with an infinitely complex character.”

Praises and Prayer Requests

Praises

- Praise God for this Christmas season! Please remember that Jesus is the reason for the season!
- Praise God for a successful move 12/5-7 for Bro. Craig! *(If you'd like to see pics of the new place, please email Bro. Craig.)*

Prayer Requests

- Childrens King James Bibles and gift packages being delivered to over 16,000 orphaned children in St. Petersburg Russia by Missionary Jon Zwingel and his wife this Christmas season!
- 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

Andrew Lacroix
1 Thes. 5:18

