



GATEWAY EQUIP

Events Leading Up to The Hallelujah Chapter Israel: God's Final Battle-Axe November 4, 2017

“Increasingly, scholars are looking at Revelation as a Jewish text that reveals a heavenly Christ rather than a Christian text with Jewish attributes,” – *The Jewish Annotated New Testament*, – *The Jewish Annotated New Testament*, (New York, Oxford University Press, 2011), p. 465.

Notes

Revelation 19:1-21 (NKJV)

¹ After these things I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, “**Alleluia!** Salvation and glory and honor and power *belong* to the Lord our God!” ² For true and righteous are His judgments, because He has **judged the great harlot** who corrupted the earth with her fornication; and He has avenged on her the blood of His servants *shed* by her.” ³ Again they said, “**Alleluia!** Her smoke rises up forever and ever!” ⁴ And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sat on the throne, saying, “Amen! **Alleluia!**” ⁵ Then a voice came from the throne, saying, “Praise our God, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!”

⁶ And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, “**Alleluia!** For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!” ⁷ Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the **marriage of the Lamb has come**, and His wife has **made herself ready.**” ⁸ And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

[“made herself ready” – compare 1 John 3:2-3]

1 John 3:2-3 (NKJV) – ² Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. ³ And everyone who has this hope in Him **purifies himself**, just as He is pure.

⁹ Then he said to me, “Write: **‘Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!’**” And he said to me, “These are the true sayings of God.” ¹⁰ And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, “See *that you do not do that!* I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”

Christ on a White Horse

¹¹ Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. ¹² His eyes *were* like a flame of fire, and on His head *were* many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. ¹³ He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. ¹⁴ And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. ¹⁵ Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. ¹⁶ And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS

The Beast and His Armies Defeated

¹⁷ Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, **“Come and gather together for the supper of the great God,** ¹⁸ **that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all *people*, free and slave, both small and great.”**

¹⁹ And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. ²⁰ Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. ²¹ And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. **And all the birds were filled with their flesh. [Yuck!?]**

1. Hallelujah, the marriage has come!

The Second Coming is clearly in verses 11-16 & 19-21.

- Marriage supper includes greatly blessed people in verses 7 & 9.
- Marriage supper includes greatly cursed people in 17-18 and 21.

- Marriage supper occurs at the Lord's Second Coming, on the earth, at the place of the Lord's coming: Jerusalem (Zech. 14:4). It's no coincidence that the new Jerusalem is called, "the Lamb's wife." Revelation 21:9-10 (NKJV) – ⁹ Then one of the seven angels ... talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."
¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God.
- Marriage Supper is a moment of great separation.

Matthew 8:10-11 (NKJV) – ¹⁰ When Jesus heard *it*, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!" ¹¹ And I say to you that **many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.** ¹² **But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."**

Matthew 13:37-43 (NKJV) – ³⁷ He answered and said to them: "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked *one*. ³⁹ The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels. ⁴⁰ Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and **those who practice lawlessness,** ⁴² and will **cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.** ⁴³ Then the **righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father.** He who has ears to hear, let him hear!

Lawlessness: ἀνομίαν: from α (meaning without) & νόμος (law/Torah)

Matthew 22:1-14 (NKJV) – ¹ And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: ² "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, ³ and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. ⁴ Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, "See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. **Come to the wedding.**"', ⁵ But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. ⁶ And the rest seized his servants, treated *them*

spitefully, and killed *them*.⁷ But when the king heard *about it*, he was furious. **And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.**⁸ **Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy.'**⁹ Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.'¹⁰ So those servants went out into the highways and **gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests.**¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment."¹² So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless.¹³ **Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'**¹⁴ "For many are called, but few are chosen."

"Alleluia" – For both God's Judgment & Blessing (19:1, 3, 4 & 6)

- In verses 1-3, the *Alleluia* is for judgment.
- In verse 4, the use of *Alleluia* may be positive?
- In verse 6, it is positive.

Revelation 6:9-11 (NKJV) –⁹ When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held.¹⁰ And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "**How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"**"¹¹ Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both *the number of* their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they *were*, was completed.

Revelation 19 is about the Second Coming

- A time of judgment & blessing
- Immediately after Babylon's Judgment (19:2; 17:1-2; 18:1-5 & 21).

Revelation **17**:1-2 (NKJV) –¹ Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and talked with me, saying to me, "Come, **I will show you the judgment of the great harlot** who sits on many waters,² with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication."

~ Babylon ~

- Babylon is remembered and destroyed just before the Second Coming (Rev. 16:19; 17:5; 18:2, 10, 21).
- Babylon is both a religious and a political concept. (Gen 11:4 & Isa 14:12-15)

Revelation 17 is about the judgment of religious Babylon –

Revelation 17:3-6 (NKJV)

³ So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. ⁴ The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication. ⁵ And on her forehead a name was written:

**MYSTERY,
BABYLON THE GREAT,
THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF
THE EARTH**

⁶ I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marveled with great amazement.

- The 7-headed, 10-horned beast (17:3) is the government of the anti-Christ. (Rev. 13:1).
- The **harlot** is not the anti-Christ (not the government), because she rides him.
- She *fornicates* with the government of the beast. She is not the government but with the government.
- She is full of “blasphemy” (Rev. 17:3).
- The “golden cup full of abominations” seems to be a religious picture (Rev. 17:4).
- She is a “**harlot**” (Rev. 17:5) which is a word often used of spiritual adultery (e.g. Ezek. 6:9; 16:15-17, 27-41; 25:5, 19, 30, 44; Hos. 2:5; 3:3;; 4:12, 14-15; 9:1; Joel 3:3 and many more).

Revelation 18 is about the judgment of political / economic Babylon –

Revelation 18:1-5 (NKJV) – ¹ After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was

illuminated with his glory. ² And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, “**Babylon the great is fallen**, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird! ³ For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, the **kings of the earth** have committed fornication with her, and the **merchants of the earth** have become **rich through the abundance of her luxury**.” ⁴ And I heard another voice from heaven saying, “Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. ⁵ For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.

Revelation 18:9-11 (NKJV) – ⁹ “The **kings of the earth** who committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her will weep and lament for her, when they see the smoke of her burning, ¹⁰ standing at a distance for fear of her torment, saying, ‘Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! **For in one hour your judgment has come**.’ ¹¹ “And the **merchants of the earth** will weep and mourn over her, for **no one buys their merchandise anymore**: ¹² merchandise of gold and silver, precious stones and pearls, fine linen and purple, silk and scarlet, every kind of citron wood, every kind of object of ivory, every kind of object of most precious wood, bronze, iron, and marble; ¹³ and cinnamon and incense, fragrant oil and frankincense, wine and oil, fine flour and wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and chariots, **and bodies and souls of men**.

Revelation 18:21 (NKJV) – Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw *it* into the sea, saying, “**Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore**.”

How Might the *Violence* of Rev. 18:21 be Related to Israel?

Jeremiah 51:19-26 (NKJV)

¹⁹ The **Portion of Jacob** is not like them,
For He is the Maker of all things;
And **Israel is the tribe of His inheritance**.

The **Lord of hosts** is His name. [Adonai Tsava’ot]

²⁰ “You are **My battle-ax and weapons of war**:
For with you I will break the nation in pieces;
With you I will destroy kingdoms;

²¹ With you I will break in pieces the horse and its rider;
With you I will break in pieces the chariot and its rider;

- 22 With you also I will break in pieces man and woman;
With you I will break in pieces old and young;
With you I will break in pieces the young man and the maiden;
- 23 With you also I will break in pieces the shepherd and his flock;
With you I will break in pieces the farmer and his yoke of oxen;
And with you I will break in pieces governors and rulers.
- 24 **“And I will repay Babylon**
And all the inhabitants of Chaldea
For all the evil they have done
In Zion in your sight,” says the Lord.
- 25 “Behold, I *am* against you, O destroying mountain,
Who destroys all the earth,” says the Lord.
“And I will stretch out My hand against you,
Roll you down from the rocks,
And make **you a burnt mountain**.
- 26 They shall not take from you a stone for a corner
Nor a stone for a foundation,
But you shall be desolate forever,” says the Lord.

Israel has between 100 and 400 nuclear weapons.

<https://thebulletin.org/does-israel-really-have-200-nuclear-weapons-or-was-colin-powell-exaggerating9896>; https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nuclear_weapons_and_Israel

Nuclear weapons may be throughout the Book of Revelation.

- Revelation 6:12-13, 15; 8:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12; 9:17.
- This is not to imply that Israel is the *only* or the *first* to use nukes.

- 1) Revelation 6:12-13 (NIV) – ¹² I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, ¹³ and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when **shaken by a strong wind**.

Apparently, then the Scripture also predicts the wind of a nuclear explosion. The fastest tornadoes ever clocked are F5 tornadoes which have wind speeds of 261 – 318 mph. Although no one has ever seen an F6 tornado, scientists have theorized that they would have wind speeds of 319 - 379 mph. They call this F6, the Inconceivable Tornado. A 5-megaton bomb would produce winds of 3,500 mph and create a crater 3,000 feet wide and 700 feet deep.

- 2) Revelation 6:15 (NIV) – Then the **kings of the earth**, the **princes**, the **generals**, the **rich**, the **mighty**, and every slave and

every free man **hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains.**

Rev. 6:15 says people will hide in rocks. Interestingly, mankind has developed caves such as NORAD in Colorado.

- 3) Revelation 8:7 (NIV) – The first angel sounded his trumpet, and there came **hail and fire mixed with blood**, and it was hurled down upon the earth. A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.
- 4) Revelation 8:8-9 (NIV) – ⁸ The second angel sounded his trumpet, and something like a **huge mountain, all ablaze**, was thrown into the sea. A **third of the sea turned into blood**, ⁹ a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.
- 5) Revelation 8:10-11 (NIV) – ¹⁰ The third angel sounded his trumpet, and a **great star**, blazing like a torch, fell from the sky on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water – ¹¹ the name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters turned bitter, and many people died from the waters that had become bitter.
- 6) Revelation 8:12 (NIV) – The fourth angel sounded his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them turned dark. A third of the day was without light, and also a third of the night.
- 7) Revelation 9:16-18 (NIV) – ¹⁶ The number of the mounted troops was two hundred million. I heard their number. ¹⁷ The horses and riders I saw in my vision looked like this: Their **breastplates** [*part of their military armor*] were fiery red, dark blue, and yellow as sulfur. The heads of the **horses** [*the animals they ride into battle*] resembled the heads of lions, and out of their mouths came **fire, smoke and sulfur**. [*old KJV has brimstone*] ¹⁸ A third of mankind was killed by the three plagues of fire, smoke and sulfur that came out of their mouths.