

INSTRUCTIONS IN RIGHTEOUSNESS

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LOVING THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Saints shudder over the catastrophic judgments of Revelation. They say, "Don't let us be here when all hell breaks loose." That is because they focus on the trauma of Revelation and not on the glory of Revelation. Love the book of Revelation, because it is the greatest blessing since the cross. It unveils God's glorious plan for His people.

When Jesus told His disciples that He was going to die on the cross, Peter said, "Never Lord, this shall never happen to you."

Jesus said, "Get behind me Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men." Matthew 16:22,23

Many respond in fear toward the traumas of Revelation. They say, "Not so Lord, those things must not happen in my lifetime. Don't let such destruction come." Others say, "Okay, God, do what you want but make sure that I am not here when it happens."

Because of fear many do not embrace the will of God or the Word of God. In Matthew 24, Mark 13:8 and Luke 21:9,14, 26, 28, Jesus said, "When you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened." He said concerning the end of time. "Make up your mind not to worry beforehand." "When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." "These are the beginnings of birth pains." I'll tell you what will be born – the victorious, end -time Church is about to be born. Devastation will come but we need a right response. "Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world." It is not, however, the Church who should be full of fear. **Tribulation is not a time to run but a time to partner with God for the consummation of His plan.** Those who do not know the Lord will be full of fear but we are called to worship and partnership for our blessings are about to come. In Revelation, the angels and elders, worship in absolute ecstasy and excitement. Why? The reason is obvious; finally Satan is uncovered, demoted and destroyed and finally God's people are given their inheritance. It is the fulfillment of the Gospel.

In chapter one Jesus has stars and the candlesticks with Him. They represent angels and the Church. God always uses angels and people to bring others to salvation. It will be no different in the last days. **The greatest revivals of history will happen during the tribulation period.** Revelation 7:9,13,14.

The secrets of Revelation are hidden in a scroll in the hands of God Almighty. Only Jesus can break the seals and open it. That is because once the scroll is opened, the last days begin. Revelation 5:1-5 That leaves only seven years of salvation for unsaved people. Since it was Jesus who shed His blood, He alone is worthy to say when the time of salvation will end.

The scroll contains the detailed plans of Revelation and include two major themes: the destruction of Satan and the fullness of blessings for God's people.

Revelation unveils the plan of God and yields the final blessings. Jesus died on the cross so that the book of Revelation may come to pass. He is our savior but also the finisher of our faith. Hebrews 12:2 That means Jesus saves us but also expedites the end-time plan. He sees that our faith is authored, finished and fulfilled. Jesus orchestrates the activities of Revelation. That is why we call the book, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ." It is what Jesus will do to Satan and what He will do for us.

Today, the book of revelation is exploited for entertainment purposes or avoided due of fears or lack of understanding. It is, however, the most detailed Biblical prophecy. The book is not a teaching to run from, but one to embrace. The traumas should not take us by surprise but prepare us for participation.

Last year we were horrified by reports of the tsunami. It was the worst natural disaster of our lifetime. Wars and terrorist activity will certainly increase but the worst traumas will be judgments from heaven. We will recognize them as natural disasters and they will destroy the planet, as we know it.

While judgment is falling, the Church, will experience the greatest anointing of God's power. Both revival and moral reconstruction will reach their highest peaks. In the darkest hours, the light of God, in His people, will shine the brightest.

Protection will cover God's people, more miracles will happen, more unsaved will find Jesus as Savior, and more Christians will set government policy. Revelation 7:9-14; 7:3; 9:4; 11:3-6. It will be the Church's finest hour this side of the millennial period.

There are two major reasons why it will be the Church's finest hour. 1. **God will anoint the Church with apostolic reformation.** Apostles, prophets, pastors, evangelists and teachers will rise to their preordained level of supernatural gifting. They will train the Church for anointed ministry.

2. The unsaved will cry for mercy and call upon Christians for help. In the first year of tribulation, one and a half billion people die due to war, famine and pestilence. Revelation 6:8 In response, Christians will lead many to Christ and multitudes will be saved, healed and shielded by God's power. The Church will shine.

If we pray, "Come quickly, Lord Jesus," then we pray for the book of Revelation to begin. It requires a shift in the thinking of most Christians for this prayer to materialize but it will come. I love the book of Revelation; it is God's plan to release His glory. Are you excited about the release of His glory? Then join with me in praying the ultimate prayer: "Lord Jesus, we love your appearing. Come quickly."



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