



MISSION CITY

BIBLE CHURCH

DATE: Sunday, October 9, 2022

TITLE: The Wrath of God

SERIES: The Book of Revelation: Worthy is the Lamb

PASSAGE: Revelation 16:1-21

INTRO:

5 REALITIES ABOUT THE WRATH OF GOD:

1) The wrath of God is _____ (16:1-21)

cf., 1 Thessalonians 5:9

2) The wrath of God is _____ (16:1-7)

cf., Romans 1:18-20

Where there is no _____, there is no _____

God's wrath is a _____ of his holiness

3) The wrath of God is _____ (16:8-16)

Prior to the unleashing of God's wrath is the always-present offer of his patience

cf., 2 Peter 3:9

cf., Ezekiel 33:11

4) The wrath of God is _____ (16:17-21)

5) The wrath of God has been _____ (16:17, 18, 19; John 19:30)



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BIG IDEA: 5 Realities of the Wrath of God

DISCUSSION:

1. The wrath of God is DEVASTATING (Read Rev 16:1-21)

- a) When you read of how devastating the wrath of God poured out will be, what sort of response does it stir in you?
- b) What assurances does the believer have regarding God's wrath (see 1 Thessalonians 5:9)?
- c) Are you destined for God's wrath, or can you claim the assurances of 1 Thessalonians 5:9? How do you know?

2. The wrath of God is DESERVED (16:1-7)

- a) Why was the wrath of God deserved (v6)?
- b) Who deserves the wrath of God (Romans 2:1-11)?
- c) What is the standard by which all sin is measured and judged?
- d) Will there ever be a time when God's wrath is not a concern?

3. The wrath of God is DELIBERATE (16:8-16)

- a) Despite the wrath being poured out, how did the people respond (v9-11)?
- b) What do you learn about God and His heart toward the wicked in 2 Peter 3:9 and Ezekiel 33:11?
- c) How does the above truth transfer to and impact your life?

4. The wrath of God is DECISIVE (16:17-21)

- a) Compare what the voice that came out of the temple shouted (v17) with what Jesus declares from the cross in John 19:30. How do both statements connect to God's wrath? What did it mean for the people in Revelation and what does it mean for people today?

5. The wrath of God has been SATISFIED (16:17, 18, 19; John 19:30)

- a) What does it mean that the wrath of God has been satisfied?
- b) How does knowing the wrath of God has been satisfied provide believers with peace as we read about the trials coming to earth?

(*See page 2 for Prayer Points from this message.)

PRAYER POINTS (based on Revelation 16:1-21):

THE PRAISEWORTHY QUALITIES OF GOD THE FATHER AND GOD THE SON:

- God remains in control even in his wrath (v1, 17)
- God is just, holy, eternal, righteous, and true (v5-7)
- God has full power over the plagues of judgment (v9)
- God is the Almighty (v14)
- Jesus is coming again soon! (v15)

REVERENCE:

- Lord, we worship you because . . .
- God, I have seen your Almighty power when . . .
- Lord Jesus, thank you for delivering me/us from judgement; we're not worthy

RESPONSE:

- Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner . . .
- God, I have fallen short of your standard in _____
- Father, because of your eternal promises to me in Christ, please forgive me for . . .

REQUEST:

- Lord, help me walk in holiness when . . .
- Lord, strengthen me to trust that you have almighty power over . . .
- Jesus, help me remember you're coming again soon, especially when . . .
- Lord, give me courage to share the gospel with _____; please deliver him/her from your judgement

READINESS:

- Lord, when my life feels like a scramble, I will be faithful to you by . . .
- Lord Jesus, come!