

As It Was In The Days Of Noah
Introduction to Revelation Bible Study
Matthew 24:37-38

Why should we study the Book of Revelation? I would say “Because it is the most relevant book in the Bible for God’s people today.” I know it is filled with a lot of scary stuff, and nobody likes to be scared. People look around and see things going on as before, and are not interested in the warnings of God’s wrath. They want to do what they want to do. The Bible tells us about this.

We read in Matthew 24:37-38

37 But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

From the time of Adam until the flood, the Scriptures show that the people lived to be very old; many lived over 900 years.

The oldest in the Scriptures was Methuselah, at 969 years old.

From the time of Adam until the flood was over 1600 years. It has estimated that the population of the earth at the time of the flood may have been four billion or more.

In Genesis 6:5,11 & 12 it tells us how it was in Noah’s day.

Genesis 6:5

5 And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Genesis 6:11-12

11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

Noah was a preacher of righteousness, yet the world would not believe what he spoke.

There are preachers of righteousness today that are trying to warn the world that the Rapture, Antichrist, Tribulation, and finally the Battle of Armageddon are coming, but the world will not believe what they say, even though it is from God’s Word.

As we look at few of the things we have seen in Noah’s day, we can clearly see the same things happening in our own time.

1. Today, just as it was in Noah’s day, the wickedness of man is great in the earth-
Gen 6:5.

2. Very few people are following God's ways.
3. God is warning His people.
4. The people that are walking with God understand that God's wrath is coming.
5. The unbelieving world is being warned but will not believe.
6. The people, who are not walking with God, do not understand that God's Judgment is going to come upon them. They know not that they will soon be destroyed by God's judgment; the Tribulation is coming.
7. Every imagination of man's thoughts is evil continually.
8. The earth is filled with violence.
9. People are going about things as usual.
10. All are eating as if nothing will happen.
11. All are drinking as if nothing will happen.
12. Men and women are getting married and being given in marriage as if nothing will happen.
13. God has given the world plenty of warning, but they will not listen.

The Book of Revelation gives us insight into the thoughts in God's mind and His wrath to come,

But man will not listen, he will not study its words,

He will not listen to God's chosen ones.

Man is determined to destroy himself and those he influences.

As we look at the Book of Revelation we find that John was in the spirit on the Lord's Day. This was Sunday. What is Sunday for? It is set aside to worship God, but the world chooses to ignore it.

Even many professing Christians choose to ignore Sunday worship. Many who can be here on Sunday nights to learn about the mysteries of God's Revelation won't attend. They are too busy doing other things.

I know all about the excuses.

I am too tired, and I have to go to work tomorrow.

Sunday is the only day I have to rest.

It interferes with my mealtime.

I don't like to be out at night.

My favorite TV program comes on at that time.

And on and on the excuses go, but God will not let people get by, for the time is coming when only those who love the Lord and His Work will be taken up.

Revelation is about all of this. Jesus said it covers the past, present, and the future. It is an all inclusive, and leaves out nothing.

In Chapter 4, it tells about the church in the day we live. This is the end time church and Jesus is on the outside knocking to get in, but no one will open the door to admit him. Today, he is knocking on the door of your hearts, but will you listen to his knock, and respond to His voice?

It is a sad time the church of Jesus Christ, for people just won't listen because we live in a time when everybody knows everything.

It is sad when we think we know more about the Bible than Jesus does. Very few ever really study the Bible, but most everyone has an opinion about what it says.

It is sad when we treat the church as if it is made for our own foibles instead of recognizing that it is the sole possession of Jesus Christ and exists only to honor Him.

It is sad when man's opinion is considered paramount in making decisions for God's work and the guidance of the Holy Spirit gets left completely out.

It is sad when we place more importance on the things of the world than we do on the things of God.

It is sad when we ignore our duties to God and His church and let Satan have his way in our lives.

If our own children treated us the way we do God, we'd disown them. Maybe God feels the same way.

We have it pretty easy now, and we can do as we please, but this won't always be the situation. People won't have all this kind of freedom when the events taking place in Revelation comes about.

The one world government that is to come where everything is rationed, and many will be starving.

Anyone who claims to follow Jesus will be beheaded.

Life will be treated as if it is not any value at all. Death will be the theme of the day. The old and sick will be killed because they will be considered valueless. Not worth the food it will take to feed them.

God's wrath will be poured upon this old earth, and none will be able to escape.

Satan and his angels will run rampant all over the earth because the Holy Spirit will no longer be here to constrain them.

Perhaps you think that you will be Raptured and you won't have to be concerned about these things. But will you be? How do you feel about God's work? If you are bound for heaven, you'll certainly be looking forward to it instead of treating the whole thing as if it is a fairy tale.

Look in your heart this morning.

Do you see God there or is self keeping Him out?

Just how do you feel about God's work and His Kingdom?

Only you can answer these questions.

I know that hell has become a nothing word in today's society, but it is a major theme in revelation. This is the final abode of the Antichrist, the False Prophet, Satan, all his angels, and the unsaved. It is the place that God has reserved for all who don't accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

I know that many of you have been saved and you'll never experience hell, but you have many friends and loved ones who will if you don't do something about it.

Even as I speak, you can easily think of names of lost people that will die in their sins. Mothers, you have sons and daughters who are bound for hell, but you don't feel that you can approach them. Maybe you are too embarrassed to talk about Jesus to those you love, but if you really love them and Jesus, that is all you will talk about until they are saved.

The Book of Revelation tell us about the great white throne judgment where all the lost people of all ages will appear before Jesus to be judged.

How many children will be there because their mothers and fathers didn't tell them how to be saved. If we could only imagine for a moment the pain and agony that is hell's legacy, we would work much harder to reach the lost. And even if we can imagine it for just a

moment, let us not forget that it will go on for all eternity.

We have got to quit playing Christian and get serious about our mission and the importance of God's Word. We can't just focus on a few verses that tell us about the Love of God and leave out the part that tells us about the wrath of God, because they both go hand in hand.

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