

Book of Revelation, part 54

I. Chapter Five.

1. Flashes back to just before the beginning of the Tribulation.
2. Shows how the Seal Judgments are initiated.
3. Christ is in charge of all judgment (Jn. 5:22).
4. The Church is composed of every type of peoples.
5. The last four verses anticipate Christ Kingdom Rule.
 - 1) Looks forward when every created thing will recognize Christ's rule.
 - 2) Reversal of curse.
 - 3) Implementation of the Kingdom as related to the glorification of the Church (Rom. 8:19-22).
 - 4) The Church's glorification proves Christ's inherent power to reverse the curse and rule (Phil. 3:21).

II. Events that occur between the Rapture and the Tribulation.

1. The Holy Spirit leaves His residency on earth (2 Thes. 2:3-8 cf. Acts 2:33).
2. The Man of Sin (aka the 1st beast of Rev. 13, et. al.) comes on to the world scene (2 Thes. 2:3).
3. An alliance of western countries emerges—10 king(dom)s.
4. The majority of Jews return to the Land (Jer. 29:14; 30:3; Ez. 38:11).
5. The temple in Jerusalem is rebuilt and animal sacrifices are performed throughout the first half of the Tribulation (Dan. 9:27).
6. There is profound resistance to the nation Isreal (Mt. 24:9).
7. People will seek peace (1 Thes. 5:3; Mt. 24:5-6).
8. A seven-year peace treaty will be signed by the Western coalition, facilitated by the Man of Sin (Dan. 9:27).
9. The peace treaty begins the Tribulation—the Day of the Lord (Dan. 9:27).
10. It is a false peace (1 Thes. 5:3; Mt. 24:6; Rev. 6:1-4).