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Topic: Studies in Revelation - The Final Hour!

Text: Revelation 16

1. Many worldly films depict the end of the world with aliens coming down from the sky and men being able to find a way of escape. Revelation 16-19 speak of the final hour of men's stay in this world. After which, this world will be destroyed and no unbeliever will be able to escape God's wrath. This is all because of men's persistent sin, which caused God to be angry and pour out His wrath.
2. The first vial judgment will be grievous sores found on those who had the mark of the beast (v2). There is a distinction between the believers and unbelievers. The second and third vial judgment both involve blood (v3-4). The sea and rivers all turn to blood. This punishment may be harsh but it is a just and righteous one because these ungodly men have shed many innocent blood. The fourth vial judgment is intense heat from the sun (v8-9).
3. The right response of these ungodly men should be to repent of their sins. But instead of doing so, they confess that the beast is worthy to be worshipped and they choose to explain away all that happen. Therefore, God pours out the fifth vial judgment which is a reverse of what He previously did. From extreme hot, it becomes extremely cold (v10).
4. There will also be an unholy trinity which may speak well but their words are filled with evil. They will work lying miracles to deceive the whole world. The seventh vial judgment will then be poured out, where thunder, lightning and earthquakes will shake the world (v17-18). Jerusalem will be split into two, and no island nor mountain will be left. People will also die from stones falling from the sky. Yet at the end of it, men will blaspheme God (v21). Conversely, the group who will be delivered from this final hour are those who watch and keep their garments of salvation (v15). They keep themselves spotless from the world and are not complacent with their walk with God.

*Soften your heart before the Lord Jesus and cling on to Him all the days of your life*