REVELATION 8

- 1. What is the sign that John saw in Revelation chapter 15?
- -Seven angels with the seven last plagues.
- 2. Why are these plagues called the seven last plagues?
- -Because these plagues will be God's last judgments.
- -Because with these plagues, God's anger with sin and evil will be completed.
- 3. Who are those who will be victorious over the beast?
- -Those in the tribulation who will believe in the one true God and be killed.
- 4. Why will these people be killed?
- -Because they will refuse to worship the beast, the final Antichrist.
- -Because they will refuse to bow before the image or statue of the beast, the final Antichrist.
- -Because they will refuse to allow the mark of 666 to be placed on them.
- 5. Why will these believers who will be killed during the tribulation sing praises to God?
- -Because God has saved them from eternal death.
- -Because God will avenge their physical death on earth.
- 6. Why also will these believers who will be killed during the tribulation sing praises to God?
- -Because God will avenge their physical death on earth.

- 7. What is the wedding of the Lamb?
- -The wedding of the Lamb is when the Lord Jesus will fulfill His promise to His bride.
- 8. Who is the bride of Christ?
- -His Church-you and me who believe in Christ.
- -When the seven-year tribulation is over, what will happen?
- -The Lord Jesus will return to earth.
- -What is the Lord Jesus' return to earth called?
- -The Second Coming of Christ.

Let's read Revelation 19:11

- 11-I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war.
- -Who is the rider on the white horse in heaven who is called Faithful and True?
- -The Lord Jesus Christ.
- -What is the meaning of the Lord Jesus riding the white horse?
- -Our holy king who is without sin is coming to conquer this world of sin and evil.

- -The door in heaven will be open, and the Lord Jesus will return to earth.
- -Why is the Lord Jesus called "Faithful and True"?
- -Because He will always keep all of His promises.
- -Because there is no lie in Him.
- -Because He will always do what is right.
- -The Lord Jesus also judges with justice.
- -People judge other people, but many times their judgment has no justice.
- -The judgment of the Lord Jesus is completely perfect with complete justice.
- -The Lord Jesus also makes war with justice.
- -People make war, but many times their war has no justice.
- -All of the war that the Lord Jesus makes is completely perfect with complete justice.
- -God's war is against sin, for He did not create the world to be sinful.
- -God will destroy sin, and for all who choose not to be saved from sin, they also will be destroyed.

-To destroy sin is true war with true justice.

Let's read Revelation 19:12

- 12-His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself.
- -The eyes of the Lord Jesus which are like fire are a picture of God's judgment against sin.
- -The many crowns on the head of the Lord Jesus are a picture of the Lord Jesus who is the king above all other kings.
- -The name that is written on Him that no one knows is a picture of the greatness of the Lord Jesus.
- -Why can we not fully understand here on earth all of the greatness of the Lord Jesus?
- -Because the knowledge of people is very small, but the greatness of God is eternal and without end.

Let's read Revelation 19:13

- 13-He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.
- -The robe of the Lord Jesus will be dipped in blood.

- -This is not the blood of Christ on the cross because Christ has already died and rose from the dead.
- -This is the blood of the enemies of God who refuse to believe in Him.
- -We read this in Isaiah 63:
- 3-"I have trodden the winepress alone; from the nations no one was with me. I trampled them in my anger and trod them down in my wrath; their blood spattered my garments, and I stained all my clothing.
- 4-It was for me the day of vengeance; the year for me to redeem had come."
- -Christ has always fought for His people, and will continue to fight until all of His enemies are destroyed.
- -Christ fought for us against sin on the cross.
- -Christ will continue to fight for us against sin and against those who reject God until all sin and evil is finally defeated.
- -One of the names of the Lord Jesus is the Word of God.
- -This is because the Lord Jesus is completely God.

Let's read Revelation 19:14

14-The armies of heaven were following him,

riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.

- -Who will be with the Lord Jesus when He returns to earth for His second coming?
- -The armies of heaven.
- -Who are these armies of heaven?
- -These are all who believe in Christ as well as the holy angels of God.
- -The Word of God teaches us that the Lord Jesus will return to earth with those who believe in Christ:
- -"May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones" (1 Thes 3:13).
- -The Word of God also teaches us that Christ will return to earth with His holy angels:
- -"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne" (Matt 25:31).
- -Like the Lord Jesus, believers in Christ and the holy angels will also be riding on white horses and dressed in white, clean clothes.

- -This is a picture of the righteousness of God that He has given to believers in Christ and His holy angels.
- -Will the armies of heaven who are believers and holy angels fight alongside of the Lord Jesus?
 -No.
- -There is no need for believers and holy angels to fight.
- -The power of the Lord Jesus alone is greater than Satan, all of the demons, and all of the evil in the world.
- -If believers in Christ will not need to fight alongside of Christ, then why will they return with Him?
- -To reign on earth with Him.

Let's read Revelation 19:15a

- 15-Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter."
- -What is the meaning of the sharp sword coming out of the Lord Jesus' mouth?
- -It is a picture of the power of the Word of God which will destroy all people who do not believe in God.
- -When Christ returns to earth, He will rule with an iron scepter, allowing no sin, but rather punishing all sin.

- -How is the first coming and the second coming of the Lord Jesus different?
- -When the Lord Jesus came to earth the first time, He came as a servant to give His life for our sins.
- -When the Lord Jesus will come to earth the second time, He will come as the Almighty Judge to punish all who refuse to believe in Him.
- -When the Lord Jesus came to earth the first time:
- -He was born in a barn, the child of a poor carpenter, who did not even have a home while he lived on earth.
- -When the Lord Jesus will come to earth the second time, He will come as God Almighty.

Let's read Revelation 19:15b

- 15-He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.
- -What is a winepress?
- -The winepress is that which people use to step heavily on grapes with their feet, removing the juice from the grape in order to make wine.
- -The winepress is a picture of the Lord Jesus stepping heavily on those who reject God, and the juice is a

picture of the blood of those who refuse to believe in God.

-It is Christ Himself in His anger against sin who will step heavily on and destroy all those who rebel against God.

Let's read Revelation 19:16

16-On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

- -The Lord Jesus will return to rule as King of kings and Lord of lords over all the earth.
- -In the beginning, God chose Adam and Eve to rule the earth.
- -Because Adam and Eve disobeyed God and obeyed Satan, their sin allowed Satan to become ruler of the earth.
- -From the first sin of Adam and Eve until now, Satan has ruled the earth.
- -Satan has ruled this earth for thousands of years, and has spread his evil throughout the earth.
- -Even though Satan has ruled the earth, God continues to rule over the world and Satan.

- -Even though Satan and other people must think that they are kings or lords, the Lord Jesus Christ alone is the King of kings and the Lord of lords.
- -When the high priest asked Jesus if He was the Christ, here is what Jesus said:
- -"I am," said Jesus. "And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven" (Mk 14:62).
- -Before the Lord Jesus returned to heaven, He said this:
- -"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Mat 28:18).
- -The Lord Jesus alone is King of kings and Lord of lords.

Let's read Revelation 19:17-18

17-And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, "Come, gather together for the great supper of God,

18-so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and the mighty, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, great and small."

-Will this great supper of God be the wedding feast of the Lamb and His Bride, the Church?
-No.

- -This will be a feast for all of the flying birds to eat the flesh of kings, generals, and the mighty—the flesh of all who will reject God.
- -All who reject God will be killed, and their bodies will not be buried, but lie on the ground so that all of the flying birds may eat their flesh until only their bones remain.

Let's read Revelation 19:19

- 19-Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army.
- -The beast is the final Antichrist with the kings of the earth and all of their armies.
- -Before the battle even begins, however, the battle will be over.

Let's read Revelation 19:20-21

- 20-But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.
- 21-The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds

- gorged themselves on their flesh.
- -What will Christ do to the final Antichrist and the final false prophet?
- -He will throw them into the Lake of Eternal Fire where they will suffer forever.
- -In 2 Thessalonians 2:8, we read about the final Antichrist who is called the "lawless one":
- -"The lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming."
- -What will Christ do to the kings of the earth and all of their armies?
- -He will destroy them all with a word from His mouth, and the birds will eat their flesh.
- -Christ spoke and the world was created.
- -Christ spoke and the wind and waves stopped.
- -Christ spoke and the demons fled from a man.
- -Christ spoke and Lazarus was raised from the dead.
- -Christ will speak and the war with the final Antichrist and all of his armies will be over before even beginning.
- -Christ will speak and all who refuse to believe in the Lord Jesus will be destroyed.