

"The Bowls"  
Chapter 16

Question: What did John hear coming from the Temple? V. 1

Answer: "Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go, pour out the seven \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_ on the earth." (Rev. 16:1 NIV)

Question: Who is speaking?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_; "go" and "pour" are imperatives or commands.

Question: Describe the first bowl. V. 2

Answer: <sup>2</sup> "The first angel went and poured out his bowl on the \_\_\_\_\_, and ugly, festering \_\_\_\_\_ broke out on the people who had the mark of the beast and worshiped its image." (Rev. 16:2 NIV) Cp. Deut. 28:35

Question: Describe the second bowl. V. 3

Answer: <sup>3</sup> "The second angel poured out his bowl on the \_\_\_\_\_, and it turned into \_\_\_\_\_ like that of a dead person, and every living thing in the sea died." (Rev. 16:3 NIV)

Note: While some scholars hold that this is simply the Mediterranean Sea, the focus of the judgments are \_\_\_\_\_.

Note: Some scholars hold that this will damage the ability of coastal people to eat. It is my contention that these bowls happen with such \_\_\_\_\_, the focus is not on the scarcity but on the visible and olfactory senses that bring a \_\_\_\_\_ reaction.

Question: Describe the third bowl. V. 4

Answer: <sup>4</sup> "The third angel poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of \_\_\_\_\_, and they became \_\_\_\_\_." (Rev. 16:4 NIV)

Question: What did John hear? Vv. 5 – 7

Answer: <sup>5</sup> "Then I heard the angel in \_\_\_\_\_ of the waters say: "You are just in these judgments, O Holy One, you who are and who were; <sup>6</sup> for they have shed the blood of your holy people and your prophets, and you have given them \_\_\_\_\_ to drink as they deserve."

<sup>7</sup> And I heard the altar respond: "Yes, Lord God Almighty, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are your judgments." (Rev. 16:5-7 NIV)

Note: Cp. 7:1; 9:11. Angels that have been placed over certain aspects of \_\_\_\_\_.

Note: Practically, the judgment on fresh water supplies is designed to \_\_\_\_\_ the pain and suffering of the other two judgments.

Cp. Luke 16: 24.

Theologically, it is \_\_\_\_\_ justice. Cp, 6:9-11

Note: God's judgements are based on divine \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Question: Describe the fourth bowl? V. 8

Answer: <sup>8</sup> "The fourth angel poured out his bowl on the \_\_\_\_\_, and the sun was allowed to \_\_\_\_\_ people with fire." (Rev. 16:8 NIV)

Question: What was the result? V, 9

Answer: <sup>9</sup> "They were seared by the intense heat and they \_\_\_\_\_ the name of God, who had control over these plagues, but they refused to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ him." (Rev. 16:9 NIV)

Note the connection to 6:16.

<sup>16</sup> They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! (Rev. 6:16 NIV)

Question: Describe the fifth bowl. V. 10a

Answer: <sup>10</sup> "The fifth angel poured out his bowl on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the beast, and its kingdom was plunged into \_\_\_\_\_." (Rev. 16:10 NIV)

Question: What was the result? Vv. 10b-11

Answer: "People gnawed their tongues in agony <sup>11</sup> and \_\_\_\_\_ the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, but they refused to \_\_\_\_\_ of what they had done." (Rev. 16:10-11 NIV)

Question: Describe the sixth bowl. V. 12

Answer: <sup>12</sup> "The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river \_\_\_\_\_, and its water was dried up to prepare the way for the kings from the \_\_\_\_\_." (Rev. 16:12 NIV)

Question: Who might the kings of the east be?

Answer: Biblical - Iran, Iraq, Jordan. Modern geo-political - Iran, Iraq, India, Pakistan, China, North/South Korea, Vietnam, Cambodia, etc...

Question: What else did John see? Vv. 13 - 14

Answer: <sup>13</sup> "Then I saw three \_\_\_\_\_ spirits that looked like \_\_\_\_\_; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

<sup>14</sup> They are \_\_\_\_\_ spirits that perform signs, and they go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty." (Rev. 16:13-14 NIV)

Question: Unexpectedly, Jesus speaks. What does he say? V. 15

Answer: <sup>15</sup> "Look, I come like a \_\_\_\_\_! Blessed is the one who stays awake and remains clothed, so as not to go naked and be shamefully exposed." (Rev. 16:15 NIV)

Question: Who is Jesus talking to?

Answer:

1. Believers who received Jesus as Savior \_\_\_\_\_ the Great Tribulation and have survived the Anti-Christ. [Problem: 16:1]
2. Believers \_\_\_\_\_ to the Great Tribulation as a narrative interjection. Cp. Matthew 24:17-22; 1 Thess. 5:1-4; 2 Peter 3:10

Question: Where do the kings of the East gather? V. 16

Answer: <sup>16</sup> "Then they gathered the kings together to the place that in Hebrew is called \_\_\_\_\_." (Rev. 16:16 NIV)

Note: Some scholars believe that the armies of the east are not armies of men but \_\_\_\_\_.

Question: Describe the last bowl judgement. What happened first? V. 17

Answer: <sup>17</sup> "The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the \_\_\_\_\_, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, 'It is done!'" (Rev. 16:17 NIV)

Note: The voice is God's; he is the only one in the temple.

Note: Just an FYI - "It is done!" is not the same wording used in "It is \_\_\_\_\_" (Jn. 19:30). The first means that a task or action has been brought to the point of completion or fulfilled with ongoing results, Cp. w/ 21:6. The second means that a long-term process has come to a succinct end but with ongoing results. Similar meaning but with some distinction.

Question: What followed? Vv. 18-21a

Answer:

Verse 18 - <sup>18</sup> "Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe \_\_\_\_\_. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since mankind has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake." (Rev. 16:18 NIV)

Verse 19 - <sup>19</sup> "The great \_\_\_\_\_ split into three parts, and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath." (Rev. 16:19 NIV)

Verse 20 - <sup>20</sup> "Every \_\_\_\_\_ fled away and the \_\_\_\_\_ could not be found." (Rev. 16:20 NIV)

Verse 21a – 21 “From the sky huge \_\_\_\_\_, each weighing about a hundred pounds, fell on people.” (Rev. 16:21 NIV; Cp. Ex. 9:22-26; Josh 10:11; Job 38:22-23)

Note: There is \_\_\_\_\_ in creation that has not been impacted by the wrath of God.

Question: How do the wicked respond? V. 21b

Answer: “And they \_\_\_\_\_ God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible.” (Rev. 16:21 NIV)