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The Seven Bowls of God's Wrath

16: 1-21



The Bible provides the only true beacon of light and hope in the darkness and despair of the world. The Good News is comforting, encouraging and affirms words of peace, goodness, joy and love of salvation. The righteous followers of **ADONAI** are reassured as they read of **God's** love, **His** promises, and of their eternal inheritance in **His** Kingdom. However, while the Bible is a book of hope, it is also a book of judgment. Because **the Lord** loves righteousness and faith, **He** must also hate sin and unbelief. **He** cannot reward faithfulness unless **He** punishes wickedness. Both the TaNaKh and the B'rit Chadashah speak repeatedly of coming judgment, especially those passages that describe the final Day of **the LORD** (**Joel 2:28-32; Zechariah 14:1; Malachi 4:1; Matthew 3:11-12; 2 Thess 1:7-9**). The wrath of **the LORD**, displayed earlier in the seal and trumpet judgments, reaches its devastating climax with **the seven bowl judgments**. Then we will see the return of **the Messiah** at the end of the Campaign of Armageddon.³⁵³

The **seven angels** have been selected, appointed and equipped as **God's** final messengers of judgment. The last half of the Great Tribulation is getting underway and the world is worshiping the antichrist after he reveals his true identity after having his image set up in the Most Holy Place of the Tribulation Temple. **Two-thirds** of the Jews **will be struck down and killed, yet one-third will be left alive (Zechariah 13:8)**. There will be Jewish

believers in both Jerusalem and Bozrah (in modern day Jordan). The long drought and famine are still plaguing the earth. Food supplies are in critically short supply. This will be the world scene as the plagues recorded in **Revelation 16** begin.

Escaping the reality of **God's** judgment is impossible. Two **bowls of judgment** will be poured out upon those who live upon the earth, then during **the third bowl judgment** there will be a brief interlude as **an angel** speaks in **the Lord's** defense. The sixth and seventh **bowl judgments** will take place as part of the eight stage Campaign of Armageddon.

Eons ago the ten plagues pointed out to the Egyptians that Pharaoh was incapable of turning the tide of the disastrous situation that they found themselves in, therefore, demonstrating his failure as both a ruler and a god. **ADONAI's seven bowls of wrath** will do the same, as they point out **to those who dwell on the earth**, that the antichrist is incapable of reversing the disastrous situation that they find themselves in, therefore, they will demonstrate his failure as both a ruler and a god.

*Dear **God** of the Universe, **You** are awesome! **Your** love is fantastic and **Your** holiness is perfect! Rulers are often so proud of all they have accomplished, but **You** are greater than all rulers. They rule only as long as **You** allow, including the antichrist. **As I was watching, that horn was waging war against the kedoshim and overpowering them, until the Ancient of Days came and judgment was rendered in favor of the kedoshim of the Most High - when the time came and the kedoshim possessed the kingdom. . . The kedoshim will be handed over to him for a time, times and half a time. But the court will sit and he will be stripped of his power to be destroyed and abolished for all time. Then the kingdom, power, and greatness of the kingdoms under all heaven will be given to the people of the kedoshim of the Most High. Their kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions will serve and obey him.'** (Daniel 7:21-22, 25c-27). In the holy name of **Your Son** and the power of **His** resurrection. Amen*