

Answers to Chapter Questions

Chapter 1

1. Describe the importance of the word slave.

To be a slave of the Lord means that He tells you what to do, and you do it. It is not what you do on your own, and you hope that it pleases Him. A slave has no way to do his own thing. The slave owner uses a slave. Jesus is the slave owner. You have been purchased as a slave.

2. What is the hierarchy of revelation for the book of Revelation?

See Chart 1.2.

Verbal description of the hierarchy: God gave the revelation to Jesus who passed it to the angel. The angel signed it to John and John described the signs to the churches (servants/slaves).

3. What are signs, and how are they used in Revelation?

They are descriptions of picture signs that are given for us to interpret through our signs hermeneutic to understand the meaning of that sign. They are not to be considered literal.

4. What does the number seven mean in Revelation?

Seven has a universal meaning. Whereas ten is temporal, until the end of *chronos* time, seven is universal through eternity.

5. Describe the orientation of priests, prophets and kings.

A king exercises rule over things; he is a steward. A priest brings the petitions of the people to the ruler (God). A prophet delivers a message from God to the people.

Chapter 2

1. Explain how Jesus is seen after the church is seen?

When the world looks at you, they see you first, and then they see Who is walking among you. That is the Lord among them. Because

they are gathered there in the Lord's name, there He is among them.

2. Describe the hermeneutic, and under it, what are the stars and the candlesticks?

The hermeneutic is that stars are angels and candlesticks are churches.

3. Describe the Lord's appearance to John.

A white-headed man whose eyes burned like fire, a fire that lights, consumes, evaluates, and does the purification. His feet are like burnished bronze.

4. What is the relationship between fear and faith?

"Fear not" is a volitional thing. Fearing when you see with your eyes, fearing when you hear with your ears, fearing when you feel with the touch are all spontaneous. When you have experienced threats through your senses, fear can just well up in you. It is involuntary because it comes with the senses.

Fear is the enemy of faith. With the eyes of faith, you can look beyond the cross to the eternal. Then you will not fear the temporal because the exaltation has to come through the gateway of the cross. That is the rational overcoming of your fear that can erupt in you involuntarily. But you must bring that fear under your will and reason and seal it with your faith. That has to be done by observing Jesus.

5. Who was Polycarp and how did he die?

He was the bishop at Smyrna. He was the disciple of the Apostle John at Ephesus, and later became the bishop at Smyrna. He was burned at the stake without being bound. He was martyred, and his martyrdom was willing. He is a good example of a Christian who walked the kenotic walk. He died because he would not recant his faith in Jesus Christ.

Chapter 3

On separate paper draw a chart for each of the five churches discussed in this chapter. A form is

given for you to follow. Be sure to include all the items in each block including the bottom block. Draw arrows from the elements to the descriptive words in the bottom block.

1. For Smyrna, see Chart 3.1.
2. For Pergamos, see Chart 3.5.
3. For Thyatira, see Chart 3.6.
4. For Sardis, see Chart 3.8.
5. For Philadelphia, see Chart 3.12.

Chapter 4

1. Draw the chart for Laodicea.
See Chart 4.1.
2. What does it take to buy clothes?
Worthy works. Buying of clothes takes works born out of sacrificial faith.
3. Describe the wake-up call.
Chosen to carry the discipleship message, we must hammer, hammer, and hammer even though threatened with death or imprisonment.
4. What does it take to buy eye salve?
To do what you know to do. John 7:17 says "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." Doing brings discernment.
5. Why is the promise to the Laodicean overcomers so great?
The Laodicean Church is a wealthy, comfortable church. Those who are comfortable with numerous blessings are doing no work. Someone in the Laodicean church who does the self-denying, self-sacrificing work will be held up to ridicule and sneering by the comfortable ones. They may even risk being killed because they are doing the will of God. Because they overcome, their rewards will be great.
6. What is the crystal sea?
The refined and glorified church
7. What are the seven lamps?
The Holy Spirit which gives you illumination.

Chapter 5

1. Duplicate the Seal Chart from memory. Describe each seal.

See Chart 5.9

Chapter 6

1. Describe Seals #6 and #7.

Seal #6: Earthquake, stars fell, heaven departed. The sun is a sign of justice and truth, and the darkening means there is a lessening of justice and truth. The moon is a reflection of the sun, and that means that Christians are dimming their reflection of truth and justice. Since stars are angels, they are angels fallen out of heaven which is when Lucifer (Satan) was kicked out of heaven and took with him one third of the angels. Heaven departing as a scroll means there is a separation between heaven and earth

Seal #7: Seven trumpets. All restraints (previous seals) are broken; the restraints are no longer there. The trumpets are to announce a message. The trumpets blow to warn mankind of impending disasters if they will not repent.

2. Differentiate God's actions when moving from seals to trumpets.

God is no longer restraining man; he has loosed all the restraints, and He is now in a warning stage.

3. Describe the 144,000.

These are converted Jews. Each of the 12 tribes has 12,000 Jews who are witnessing for God. They are under a specific protection that is not described, but the seal on their foreheads protect them from the Antichrist. The Antichrist cannot touch them. The people who accept Christ from their witness will immediately be killed.

4. Describe the martyrs.

The martyrs come out of the great tribulation and have washed their clothes. They have given their life for their Lord. They have clothes of white that gives them special status, and they have palms in their hands.

5. Describe the 3 methods of saints bypassing, coming out of, or going through tribulation.

One concept of tribulation is that you bypass it. You see it in front of you, but you avoid it. Many Christians believe that they are going to escape tribulation because the rapture will pull them out before it occurs. The second method is that a saint is in tribulation, but escapes through death. The third method is that a saint passes all the way through tribulation and comes out on the other side.

6. Describe the first 3 trumpets.

Trumpet #1 is economics. One third of the economic systems (trees) will disappear. The economy of the little people (grass) will be burned up. By judgment time there will be economic chaos.

Trumpet #2 is institutionalism. This time it is the sea (religion) that is affected. The great mountain is institutionalism, which lands in the church and causes it to become a great institution to be idolized. One third of the people in the church are going to die spiritually.

Trumpet #3 is false preaching. The star falls upon the rivers and fountains (fresh water) that are the clergy. A third part of the clergy becomes wormwood, and people will die because they are made bitter through preaching without a call to repentance.

Chapter 7

1. List and describe the trumpets.
See Chart 7.2.
2. What are the three woes?
Trumpets #5 (abortion, suicide and Euthanasia), #6 (war), and #7 (rapture).
3. Describe the cost of discipleship.
Forsaking all, picking up your cross, and following Jesus.
4. What is the Little Book, and what does it mean?
The Gospel is sweet in the mouth (justification), but bitter in the stomach (discipleship).

Chapter 8

1. Discuss measuring the temple.
That is measuring the worshippers in the temple against the measuring rod, which is the Canon or Bible. Those who are not truly worshipping are not measured.
2. Identify the two witnesses.
Two churches, Smyrna and Philadelphia.
3. What is the fire from the mouths of the two witnesses.
The words spoken by the witnesses who are really churches. Just as the sword is the Words spoken by Jesus.
4. When is the rapture?
After the sixth trumpet and at the last trump.
5. Identify the woman.
Israel.
6. Identify the child.
Jesus, the Savior.
7. Identify the dragon.
Satan.
8. What is the flood of water?
Islam.
9. Identify the Beast from the sea.
Antichrist.
10. What are heads and horns?
Heads are nations; horns are heads of nations.
11. What is the measuring rod of the temple?
Canon/Bible.
12. Those people who have a semblance of Christianity are in truth _____.
Hypocrites.
13. In Revelation 11, the two witnesses are churches because they are called _____.
Candlesticks.
14. The flames that come out of the mouth of the two witnesses refers to _____.

just as the “two-edged sword” refers to the words that come from the Lord.

The words spoken by the witnesses.

15. Explain the meaning of Revelation 11:6: “These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will” as it applies to the Christian.

The witnesses can preach God’s Word as a refreshing rain, or they can announce plagues, or they can disclose traditions of men and false religions as putrid blood.

Chapter 9

1. The rapture will occur (choose one)
 - d. at Trumpet #7.
2. The person in charge of education and journalism will be (choose one)
 - a. the false prophet.
3. What is escapism thinking?

We will be raptured before enduring any tribulation.
4. Who is the Beast of the Earth?

The False Prophet.
5. Explain the spiritual mark of the beast.

To affirm intellectually political correctness (spiritual mark on the forehead); to act on political correctness (spiritual mark on the hand).
6. Describe the 144,000.

These are the Jewish saints who are completely loose from the world and its concerns (a full-blown *kenosis*).

Chapter 10

1. What is the spiritual mark?

Political correctness.
2. Describe the patience of the saints.

Keeping the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. (Revelation 14:12)

3. Who is reaped by the angel’s sickle?

Unbelievers are reaped to God’s wrath by the angel’s sickle.
4. What is the sea of glass?

The perfect, glorified church.
5. Describe the first six vials.

Vial #

 - (1) Grievous sores: Diseases pertaining to political correctness.
 - (2) Sea became dead man’s blood: Spiritual death of everyone in the apostate church.
 - (3) Rivers and springs became blood: Spiritual death of all clergy.
 - (4) Scorching fire from sun: Truth and justice is recognized by Antichrist’s followers but not accepted.
 - (5) Darkness over kingdom: Truth and justice are kept inverted by Antichrist.
 - (6) Drying up of Euphrates River: Big tent theology adopted by Islam, which allows it to join with other religions.

Chapter 11

1. What is the great city?

Babylon (the world system of the upside-down *kenosis*).
2. Who is riding on the beast?

The harlot (the apostate, institutional church).
3. Describe Vial #7.

Earthquake (dividing the great city into three parts).
4. Describe the scarlet beast.

Great dragon (Satan) with seven heads (all nations) and ten horns (all kings of the nations).
5. Describe Mystery Babylon.

Name written on the harlot church’s head because she has adopted the Babylonian world system.
6. Who is the mother of harlots?

The harlot church
7. What are heads? Mountains?

Heads are nations. Mountains are institutions.

8. If there are seven heads on the beast, how can Satan be one of them and the eighth as well?

Satan exists outside of the seven nations and their kings, but he will also be incarnated as the seventh as Antichrist.

9. Interpret the called, chosen, and faithful of Revelation 17:14.

Christians who are **called** out of the world end up in the apostate and institutional church of Antichrist. Those Christians who are **called** out of the apostate church and become real disciples are **chosen** by God to do His work. These who do God's work at great cost, even unto death, are the **faithful**.

10. How does Jeremiah's speckled bird analogy apply to the church?

The church of Antichrist will be identified with Babylon, but there will still be the distinction of "church." This distinction will cause the kings of the nations to turn on her and destroy her. This follows the speckled bird analogy in which the other birds turn on the one that is different and peck it to death.

11. How does the church merchandise in men's souls?

When you use religion to get what you want. God wants to spend His resources for His own purposes (definition of holiness). Pastors, churches, and denominational agencies mer-

chandise in men's souls when they trade the spiritual well being of church members for material goods or political power.

Chapter 12

1. Who will reign in the Millennium?

The Lord and His real disciples.

2. Is it personhood or works that is being judged at the Great White Throne?

Works.

3. How will religious people appeal their convictions?

The religious unsaved will remind the Lord of what they have done for Him.

4. Who executes the people who have not been warned?

The Christians who have not been faithful watchmen, and who have neglected to fulfill the responsibility to warn the ones they have been in contact with.

5. Why will you have tears for God to wipe away?

You will see all those people to whom you did not testify be condemned to the lake of fire, and some of those may be your loved ones. You may even have to throw them into the lake of fire because of your failure to be a proper watchman.