

1 **A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION**

LESSON 32

2 **RECAP**

- We are almost at the end of the portion of Scripture that is from the heaven's point of view, the upper room on our Revelation floor plan chart
- As our chart shows, a large portion these prophecies are written showing the same events but from different points of view
- It would be impossible to understand the meaning of these Scriptures without this multiple viewpoint perspective
- This is written in similar fashion to the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke; different perspectives of the same events

3 **FLOOR PLAN GRAPHIC**

4 **RECAP cont.**

- Last week we studied part of the 6th Trumpet/Vial which is under the 7th seal
- We had much discussion on the identity of the creatures who were released from prison which is under the river Euphrates
- There were lots of questions regarding last week's lesson so let's review what we studied

5 **THE SECOND WOE & SIXTH PLAGUE**

Revelation 9:13-16

13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

14 saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

16 And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

6 **THE SECOND WOE & SIXTH PLAGUE cont.**

Revelation 9:17-19

17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

7 **THE SECOND WOE & SIXTH PLAGUE cont.**

Revelation 9:20-21

20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood; which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

21 neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

- The majority of questions were regarding who these prisoners are, the ones who had been bound under the river Euphrates

8 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS**

- When the sixth angel who sounded this trumpet/vial we find that the four angels which were bound in the great river Euphrates were loosed
- We also see that they were loosed at an exact period of time
- The following Scriptures clearly show that these creatures are supernatural and are of the spirit world
- There are no symbols used in descriptions of heavenly things and events, the Word is literal in these descriptions
- These four angels are not Godly angels, they are fallen angels
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9 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

Genesis 6:1

1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,
2 that the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.
3 And the Lord said, My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be a hundred and twenty years.
4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown.

10 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- In verse 4 the word *giants* is loosely translated. This word is Nephilim which means the "fallen ones"
- The Nephilim were also called the mighty men of old and did not have the normal attributes of mankind
- The details of "as in the days of Noah" are often overlooked and generalized to "there was sin in the world"
- These Nephilim were brought out in verse 4 for a specific reason as they had brought about even greater evil into the world, a more powerful evil
- The "fallen angels" or "sons of God" had intermingled with mankind and that brought forth a corrupted and strange new race; these are called the Nephilim

11 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- This race had to be destroyed which brought about the flood
- The Scriptures put these Nephilim in the category of "demigods"
- These "sons of God" are created angels or beings
- These particular ones are the fallen ones that Satan took with him
- They violated God's creative order of beings and it is they who

brought about the flood

- The "sons of God" has a very special meaning, it always refers to directly created beings

12 **SONS OF GOD**

Job 1:6

6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them.

- God challenged Satan, not concerning his right to be among the sons of God, but concerning what he had been doing
- Satan, being Lucifer the archangel before his fall, was a son of God
- The "sons of God" always refers to directly created beings
- God created each angel

13 **SONS OF GOD cont.**

- Adam and Eve were sons of God; their descendants were not
- The angels are the sons of God because each one was directly created
- This would include Satan, who was Lucifer, the anointed cherub
- We are not usually aware of the spiritual realm as we do not detect it with our natural senses
- There is a spiritual world that occupies the same space we do and far beyond
- In the New Testament, son of God has the same meaning

14 **SONS OF GOD cont.**

John 1:12

12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

- God gives us power, with the Holy Spirit, to become the sons of God
- It is given only when we become a new creature in Jesus Christ
- We are not sons of God because we are of a certain religion, but

because we have received His seal

- Once received, we go on to use this power to become the sons of God by the change in us

15 **SONS OF GOD cont.**

- So the common idea that these sons of God were simply Godly men and the daughters of men were simply ungodly is not Scriptural
- The King James version (KJV) of the Bible remains the preferred translation due to it being among the oldest widely accepted translations we have
- Also when it was translated there were not a lot of different Christian denominations; the Church of England and the Roman Catholics and factions thereof
- There were strict instructions given the translators by King James to ensure the new version would conform to the Hebrew, Greek, and Aramaic original texts

16 **SONS OF GOD cont.**

- Occasionally other Bible translations can aid in the understanding of certain verses or contexts of Scripture
- We will look at Genesis 6:1,2,4 as rendered by James Moffatt who completed a modern language translation of the Bible in 1924
- Again, this translation is being used as a study aid alongside the KJV
- Both of these versions say the same thing

17 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS**

Genesis 6:1, 2, 4 (Moffatt translation)

1 Now when men began to multiply all over the world and had daughters born to them,

2 the angels noticed that the daughters of men were beautiful, and they married any one of them that they chose

4 It was in these days that the Nephilim giants arose on earth, as well as afterwards whenever angels had intercourse with the daughters of men and had children born to them; these were the heroes who were famous in the days of old.

18 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- This translation should make it clearer to you as to what these verses are saying
- Keep in mind that not all demons or evil spirits are in prison as are these 200,000,000 that are under the river Euphrates
- There were legions of evil spirits on the loose in Jesus' day and they still are today
- We really need to understand that the spiritual world and the natural world are side by side
- Evil people of the earth, mankind, do not become evil spirits when they die
- The Scriptures say they are reserved for either resurrection or for judgement

19 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- These cannot return to earth in any form except by special permission from God
- Evil spirits in the world today must be relics from past and forgotten creations
- These we find here under the river Euphrates are likely the worst and most violent as they have been imprisoned
- These demons/evil spirits we see here have been prepared for a certain and exact time that they are to operate on the earth
- It is noticeable that no length of time is set for events before the Rapture, but after the Rapture times are freely given

20 **THE SECOND WOE & SIXTH PLAGUE**

- Timing of the Rapture is the only secret event of this prophecy
- It is kept secret so Satan cannot plan for it even though he knows it's coming
- It is also at this time that Satan is cast out of heaven and there is a battle at which Satan attempts to stop the bride from rising and reaching heaven
- Satan knows exactly when to marshal the armies around Jerusalem

for the battle of Armageddon

- The timing of Jesus' return with His saints at the battle of Armageddon is given exactly

21 **THE SECOND WOE & SIXTH PLAGUE cont.**

Revelation 9:15

15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

- These four angels were under the river Euphrates
- The number four in Biblical prophecy always deals with the earth, the whole earth is in view
- These are fallen angels, those that left their first estate; their own environment
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22 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS**

II Peter 2:4-5

4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

5 and spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

23 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

Jude 6-7

6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

- The "great day" is the judgement period we are studying in Revelation
- This "strange flesh" is the angels mixing with mankind
- These fallen angels were put away to give us an example

24 ☐ **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- Those in Genesis the sixth chapter are the third part of the angels that had fallen with Satan
- Those under the river Euphrates are not the offspring of the fallen angels and the daughters of men
- All of the offsprings were killed in the Flood
- These under the river are fallen angels
- Angels cannot die so they did not die in the Flood
- The offsprings did die in the Flood as they were part human
- These under the river are those who committed the original sin and left their first estate, not their offspring

25 ☐ **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- How did this spiritual angel have a child by a woman that is natural?
- Remember the Scriptures that teach there is a spiritual body and there is a natural body (I Corinthians 15:44)
- These are created angels of God and evidently when He created mankind He picked a similar body except ours is mortal
- The spirit world is just as real as our world, we just can't see them
- These angels did have bodies and they left their first estate or environment

26 ☐ **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- They left that spiritual world
- The spirit world is not a world where there is no bodies (I Corinthians 15:44)
- The angels have great power, and Satan still has his, including the power to be seen and take on a human form
- This is what they have had to have done because the Scriptures say

what they created between themselves and mankind was the mighty men of old who had powers that we don't have today

- We must keep in mind that these angels had powers and they had bodies we cannot see with our natural eyes

27 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- They had the power to come forth as they left their first habitation
- We find in the Scriptures that angels have shown themselves to mankind many times but only with orders from God
- These fallen angels did this against God's orders and when they did they intermingled and this is why God had to destroy the earth with the Flood
- That is why these fallen angels were imprisoned under the river Euphrates; God did not trust them anymore
- These Scriptures can be hard truths for some people

28 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- The third part of the angels that followed Satan are still in great numbers; they are evil spirits
- Keep in mind that there are good spirits and there are evil spirits
- There is good natural and there is evil natural
- God is spiritual purity and holiness and the two-thirds of the angels left are good
- Satan and his one-third are spirits but they are evil
- The spirit world is everlasting it is not like ours
- Ours is the one that will be done away with and made new

29 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- This body decays as man has a death sentence
- The angels have no death sentence
- This death sentence we have is in this dispensation, that of mankind from Adam and Eve until after the end of the thousand years reign
- Satan and the fallen angels will be totally put away forever (Revelation 20:10)

- We should be kind to all because you never know when you meet angels in disguise (Hebrews 13:2)
- Angels still do come to our realm and are here all the time as the Scriptures tell us that God's angels are watching over little babies (Matthew 18:10)

30 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- In chapter 12 we are starting the scene all over again, from Rapture to return, except from the earth's point of view
- When the Rapture takes place Satan is actually cast down to earth and takes up his abode in the body of Antichrist
- Today, Satan can still come before God as we saw in Job 1:6
- When we go up and he is cast down to this earth he will no longer have this access to God
- When we start searching the Scriptures ourselves God opens our minds to the understanding and clarity of His Word

31 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- Satan will do whatever he can to keep us from this understanding
- God will reveal everything to those who seek to understand except the exact day of the Rapture of the church
- Most people depend on their own interpretation of Scripture but the Scriptures are not given to private interpretation (1Peter 1:20)
- The Scripture cannot be understood by the natural man as it is understood spiritually (1 Corinthians 2:14)
- Our first step to understanding the Word of God is to receive the Holy Spirit

32 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- Sometimes people think that the sons of God was a Godly line of beings but if they were they would have been saved in Noah's Ark
- If they were godly they would not have done such ungodly things and God would not have wiped them off the face of the earth
- The sons of God and the daughters of men were not a godly line or race

- Men are not reckoned to be godly because they come from a righteous forefather
- These sons of God filled the earth with their violence
- This was no ordinary affair what is mentioned here in Genesis

33 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- Marriages had been going on for quite some time before these unions started taking place
- This was different; this was a special kind of union that would have corrupted the entire human race
- It was an unnatural union that brought forth a strange new race
- This race was called the *Nephilim* – the fallen ones
- Back to chapter 9 verse 15; the number 4 always having to do with the entire earth throughout the Bible
- These 4 angels were part of the ones that left their first estate
- Their army is 200,000,000 – two hundred million

34 **FALLEN ANGELS/EVIL SPIRITS cont.**

- The number 4, as used here and in previous Revelation chapters, represents a great number of individuals
- The whole world is in view with this number 4
- As we look at verse 16 and the number of these horsemen, we are reminded that this is real and is going to happen
- God is wrapping up the evil in this world; the sorrow, the pain, the tears, the heartache
- These creatures are coming under the judgement period of time, not the first 3-1/2 years of the Great Tribulation

35 **THE FIRST WOE REVIEW**

- The Dispensation of Grace is fully finished by this time
- These last three woes that are under the seventh seal are by far the worst of all the plagues
- The first woe/fifth plagues was the supernatural locusts
Revelation 9:1-4

1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads. (these are only the Jews that are left)

36 **THE FIRST WOE REVIEW cont.**

Revelation 9:5-8

5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.

8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.

37 **THE FIRST WOE REVIEW cont.**

Revelation 9:9-12

9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.

10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.

11 And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.

12 One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

38 **THE SECOND WOE REVIEW**

Revelation 9:17-21

17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood; which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

21 neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

39 **THE SECOND WOE REVIEW cont.**

- A third part of the men of the entire world are killed
- These extremely destructive plagues are always limited to a portion of people and a certain number of people always live through them
- There is no repentance despite the knowledge of where and from whom these plagues come from
- This is pure judgement and there is none saved
- In verse 20 it states that they had returned to the worship of their images and idols
- Jesus said I came not to destroy but to fulfill the commandments (law) (Matthew 5:17)

40 **THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD**

- Jesus said that if you love God with all your heart, all your mind, and all your soul and if you love each other as I have loved you, you fulfill

all of these commandments (Matthew 22:37-40)

- The ten commandments are the first commandments God gave to mankind and they have not changed and are still the same today
- Everything in the ten commandments is fulfilled in the two commandments found in Matthew 22:37-40
- If you love God with ALL (nothing left of you) your heart, mind and soul, with that love you have to have the Spirit of God
- With God's Spirit you will be able to love each other as He loved us, not the way the world sees and thinks of love

41 ☐ **THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD cont.**

- These are the commandments of God

Exodus 20:3-5

3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:

5 thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

42 ☐ **THE SECOND WOE REVIEW cont.**

- People break this commandment everyday in the Name of God
- How can anybody say they love God and go against His Word so totally?
- God's Word is very clear: you cannot have these images and idols in your life
- These people in Revelation chapter 9 have not repented of their idol worship
- Why is this not surprising in this time of the 2nd woe/6th plague?
- Remember they are under a religion; the Roman church with all its worship of images, statues and wafers

43 ☐ **THE SECOND WOE REVIEW cont.**

- The Scriptures show that it is the Roman Catholic church that will be the Antichrist's church
- This church will also most likely be Antichrist's agent in the persecution of the tribulation saints
- History shows us the Spanish Inquisition did a similar persecution
- During this 2nd woe/6th plague there will be no place to hide
- We also find they neither repented themselves of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.
- They continued in their sins; these are sins now and they will be sins when this woe/plague is happening
- This is why we must be a new creature in God by the spiritual birth; the infilling of the Holy Ghost

44 **THE SECOND WOE REVIEW cont.**

- This closes the 9th chapter in our study
- Next week we will go into the 10th chapter which begins with the 3rd woe
- One final thing before we leave this chapter concerning the appearance of the fallen angels
- These Scriptures here in Revelation are very different from most of what is taught or preached because Revelation is different in that it shows us the end times and the end of time
- There are two types of created angels mention in the Bible though there may be more

45 **THE CREATED ANGELS**

- The Scriptures bring out that there are seraphim and there are cherubim
- They are both angels but they look different
- Lucifer was of the cherubim race (Ezekiel 28:14)

Genesis 3:24

24 So he drove out the man: and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden cherubim, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to

keep the way of the tree of life.

46 **THE CREATED ANGELS cont.**

Isaiah 6:1-4

1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

2 Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

47 **THE CREATED ANGELS cont.**

Isaiah 6:5-7

5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.

6 Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7 and he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

48 **THE CREATED ANGELS cont.**

- The description of the cherubim includes a height of 10 cubits, 16 feet 8 inches, but this description is that of what Solomon has constructed of wood for his temple, see 1 Kings 6:23-26
- Ezekiel provides detailed descriptions of the cherubim (Ezekiel 1:5-14, 10:14, 21)
- From Noah's three sons came the three races: the white, the black, the brown
- The more intermarrying there is if there is a bad trait in a gene, that bad trait comes out double fold in the second offspring
- Today we can look at the sinful, depraved, person that has been

turned over to a reprobate mind and see they are totally changed by their sin

49 **THE CREATED ANGELS cont.**

- The evil over these thousands of years on these creatures would have something to do with what they look like
- The seraphim and cherubim don't look like us but there are similarities
- Mankind has a choice of who he is going to serve
- You do not have a choice of what God is going to do to you if you don't serve Him

50 **CLOSING GRAPHIC**