

# REVELATION - THE FINAL VICTORY

## (Lesson 8)

**Intro:** What do you see as the greatest dangers which affect God's church today?

### - The Fifth Vision: The Seven Bowls

#### 1. The First Five Bowls (16:1-11)

- Note the striking similarities between the seven bowls of this chapter and the vision of the seven trumpets in 8:6-9:21; 11:15-19.
  - What is the purpose of such repetition in these visions?
- What is the function of these bowls?
- What happens as a result of the first bowl? Who does it affect?
- What happens when the second and third bowls are poured out?
  - What is the significance of drinking blood which the angel announces?
- What happens when the fourth bowl is poured out?
- What is different about the fifth bowl?
- What are these first five bowls of judgment directed against?

#### 2. The Sixth Bowl: The Battle of Armageddon (16:12-16)

- Who is it that summons the kings from the East for battle?
  - What again is the significance of coming from the Euphrates?
- What is the Battle of Armageddon?

### **3. The Seventh Bowl: The End of the World (16:17-21)**

- What does the seventh angel announce?
- What is destroyed in the judgment?

### **- The Sixth Vision: Christ and the Antichrist**

### **4. The Vision of the Great Prostitute (17:1-18)**

- What is significant of the fact that she sits on many waters?
- What characteristics does this great prostitute have?
- Who is this Great Prostitute and the beast on which she rides?
- How does the name she is given and her actions reveal her true nature?
- To what extent is she willing to go to cause harm to the church?
- What does the description of the beast in verse 8 reveal about it's character?

*(Rome was called "the city of seven hills. " The seven heads of the beast are the seven hills on which the Great Prostitute sits. They are also seven kings of which five have fallen - Egypt, Assyria, Babylonia, Persia, Greece. The one is - Rome. The other is yet to come - another kingdom remaining for a short time. The beast, the secular antichrist operates through the seven kings. Ten horns are other kingdoms - 10 is the number of completeness - representing all future secular enemies of the church.)*

- What do these kings in service to the beast seek to do? What will be the outcome?
- In a strange turn of events what happens to the Great Prostitute?

**Conclusion: What power does the beast from the sea use today to war against God's church?**