

THE BOOK OF REVELATION
Chapter 15

OUTLINE

I. PRELUDE TO THE SEVEN BOWLS OF WRATH (1-4)

A. A GREAT AND MARVELOUS SIGN IN HEAVEN (1-2)

1. John sees seven angels
 - a. Having the seven last plagues
 - b. In which the wrath of God is complete
2. John sees a sea of glass mingled with fire, and a great multitude
 - a. It is those who have the victory over the beast, his image, his mark, and the number of his name
 - b. They are standing on the sea of glass, with harps of God

B. SINGING THE SONG OF MOSES AND OF THE LAMB (3-4)

1. The multitude is singing the song of Moses, and the song of the Lamb
2. A song which praises the Lord God Almighty, King of the saints
 - a. For His great and marvelous works
 - b. For the truth and justice of His ways
 - c. For He is worthy of reverence and glory
 - d. And all nations shall come and worship before Him, for the manifestations of His judgments

II. SEVEN ANGELS AND SEVEN BOWLS OF WRATH (5-8)

A. THE SEVEN ANGELS (5-6)

1. The temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven is opened
2. Out come the seven angels having the seven plagues
 - a. Clothed in pure bright linen
 - b. Having their chests girded with golden bands

B. THE SEVEN GOLDEN BOWLS (7-8)

1. One of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels:
 - a. Seven golden bowls
 - b. Full of the wrath of God who lives forever
2. The temple was filled with smoke
 - a. From the glory of God and from His power
 - b. No one was able to enter the temple until the seven plagues were completed

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