

The Book of

REVELATION

Lesson 12

Chapters 15 and 16

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The Lamb and the 144,000 on Mount Zion

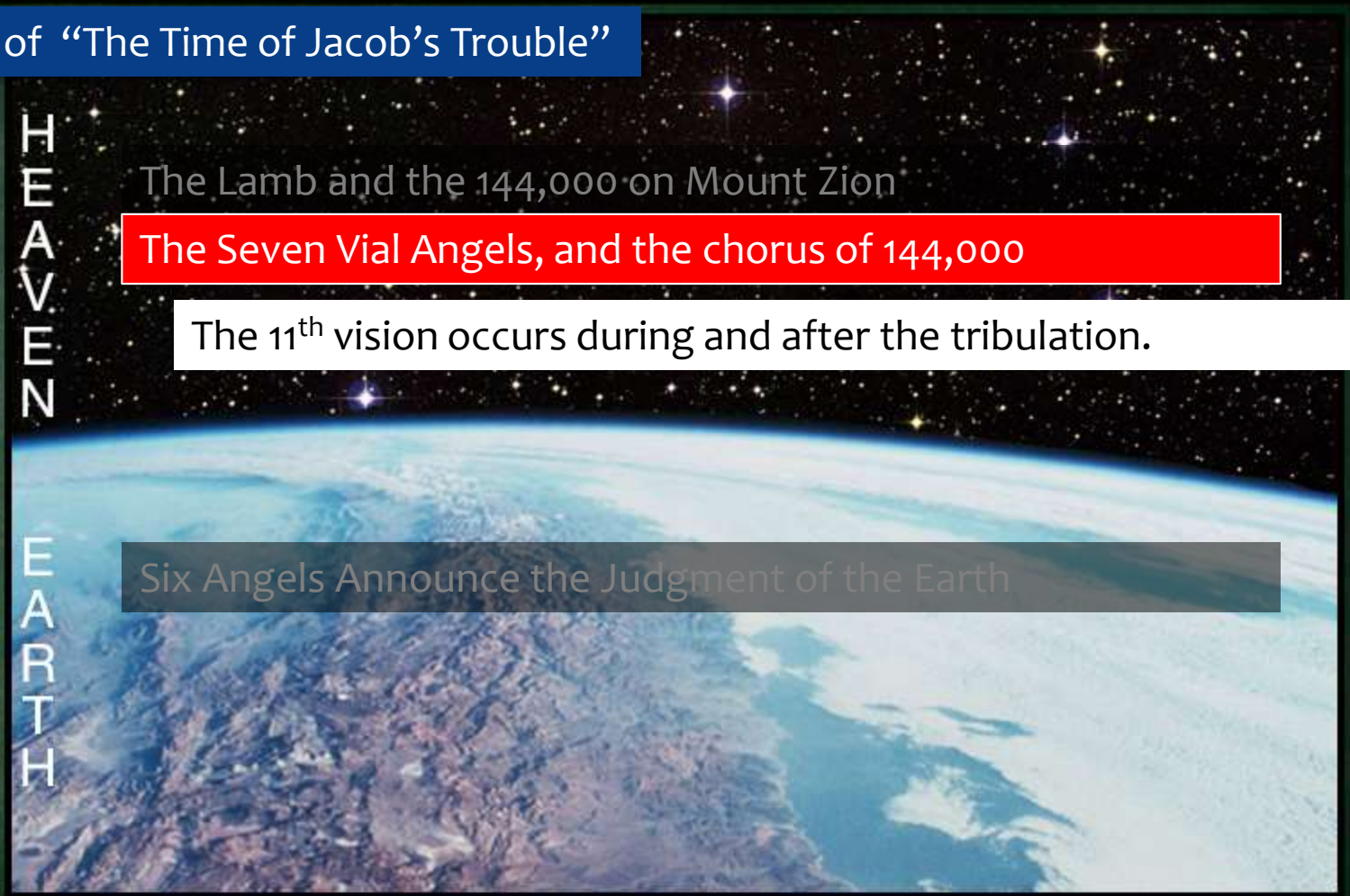
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The 11th vision occurs during and after the tribulation.

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Six Angels Announce the Judgment of the Earth



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Part 3: The Things Which Shall Be Hereafter

4:1 to 22:21

Chapter 15:

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VIAL φιάλη (phiale)
a broad shallow bowl or deep saucer

Revelation 15:1

¹ And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.



Before the horrors of the third “woe” is revealed, John’s vision jumps forward to the millennial age when the battle is over, and the war is won.

Revelation 15:2

² And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.



Revelation 15:3-4

- 3 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,
Great and marvellous *are* thy works,
Lord God Almighty;
just and true *are* thy ways,
thou King of saints.
- 4 Who shall not fear thee, O Lord,
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After this word of comfort,
the narrative returns to the terror of the seven angels
and their vials of wrath.



Revelation 15:5-6

- ⁵ And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:
- ⁶ And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.



Revelation 15:7-8

- 7 And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.
- 8 And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.



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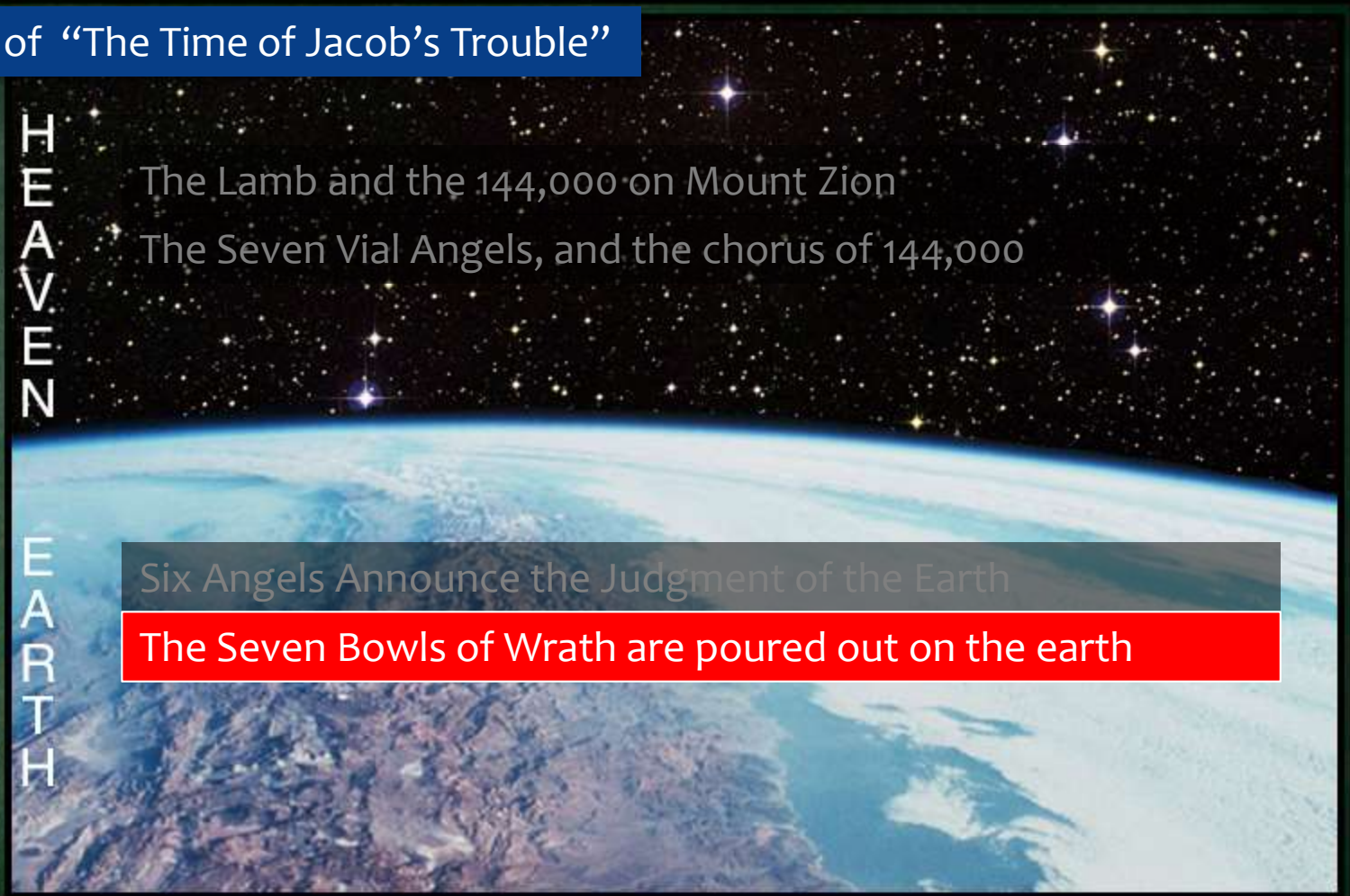
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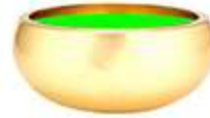
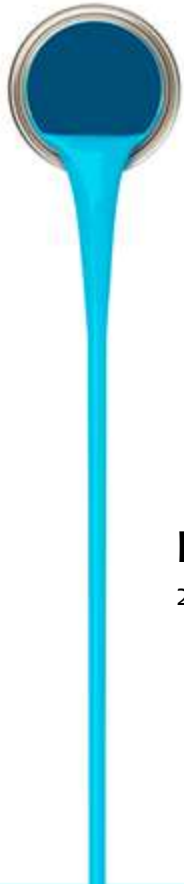
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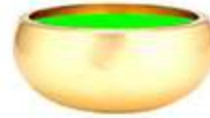
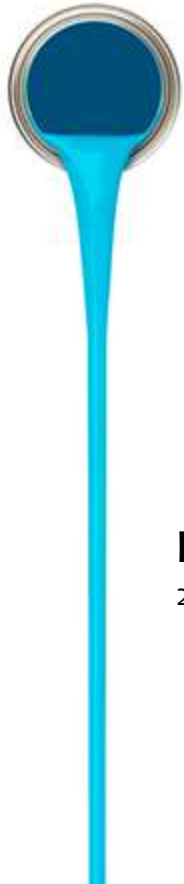
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¹ And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels,
Go your ways,
and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.



Revelation 16:2

² And the first went,
and poured out his vial upon the earth;
and there fell **a noisome and grievous sore** upon the men which had
the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.



Revelation 16:2

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the mark of the **foul-smelling and painful** which worshipped his image.



Revelation 16:3

³ And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea;
and it became as the blood of a dead *man*:
and every living soul died in the sea.



Revelation 16:4

4 And the third angel
poured out his vial
upon the rivers and
fountains of waters;
and they became blood.





Revelation 16:5-7

- ⁵ And I heard the angel of the waters say,
Thou art righteous, O Lord,
which art, and wast, and shalt be,
because thou hast judged thus.
- ⁶ For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets,
and thou hast given them blood to drink;
for they are worthy.
- ⁷ And I heard another out of the altar say,
Even so, Lord God Almighty,
true and righteous *are* thy judgments.

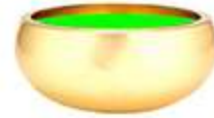
Revelation 16:8-9

- ⁸ And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.
- ⁹ And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.



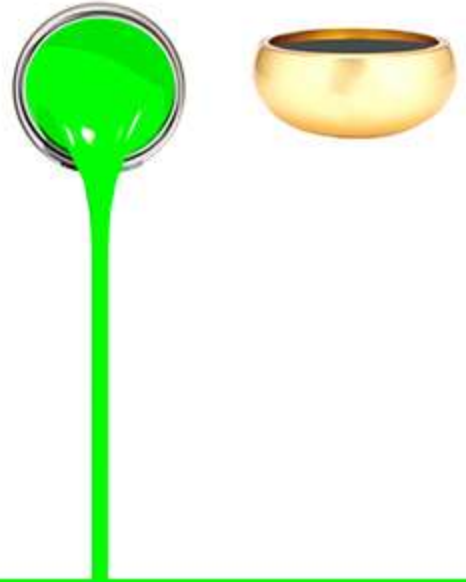
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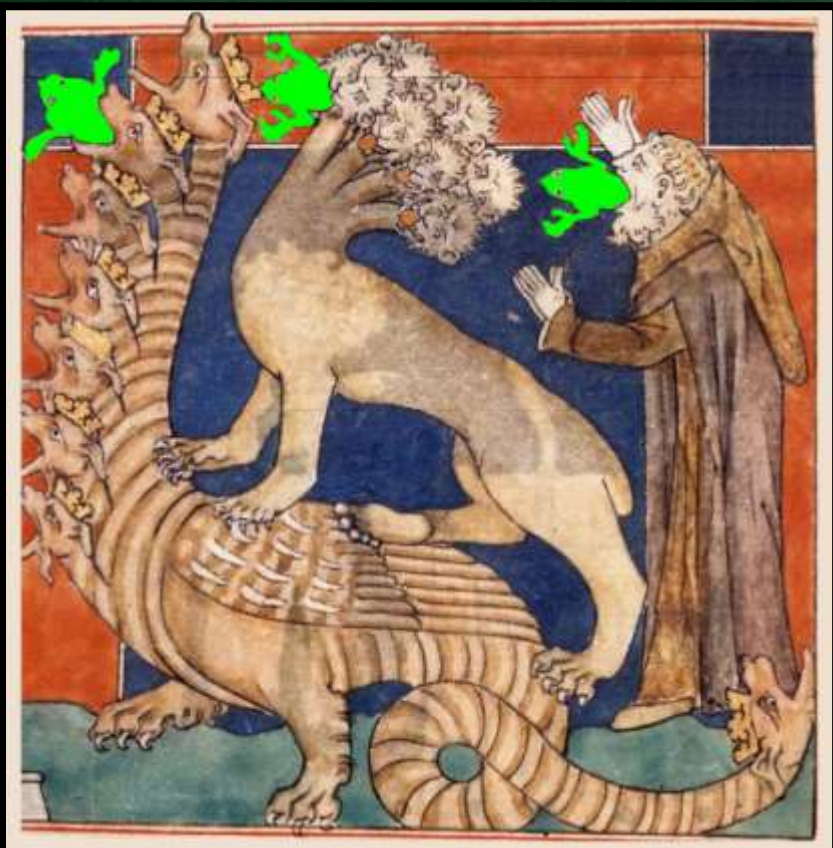
- ¹⁰ And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon
the seat of the beast;
and his kingdom was full of darkness;
and they gnawed their tongues for pain,
¹¹ And blasphemed the God of heaven because
of their pains and their sores,
and repented not of their deeds.



Revelation 16:12

¹² And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates;
and the water thereof was dried up,
that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.





Revelation 16:13-14

- ¹³ And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.
- ¹⁴ For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Revelation 16:15

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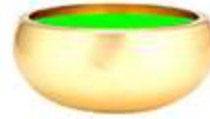
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This is the second time we read this warning. The first time was in Revelation 3:3.



Revelation 16:16

¹⁶ And he gathered them together into a place called
in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.



Revelation 16:17

¹⁷ And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air;
and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven,
from the throne, saying,

IT IS DONE.



Revelation 16:18

And there were voices,
and thunders, and lightnings;
and there was a great earthquake,
such as was not since men were upon
the earth,
so mighty an earthquake,
and so great.

The background of the entire image is a blue-toned, stylized map of a city with a grid of streets and various building footprints. Overlaid on this map are three horizontal, dark grey bands that resemble torn paper, creating a jagged, irregular border between the text sections. The top band is at the top, the middle band is in the center, and the bottom band is at the bottom.

Revelation 16:19

And the great city was divided into three parts,

and the cities of the nations fell:

and great Babylon came in remembrance before God,
to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.



Revelation 16:20

²⁰ And every island fled away,
and the mountains were not found.



Revelation 16:21

²¹ And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven,
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Chapter 17: The Judgment of the Whore of Babylon

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Each question is worth 10 points. Do NOT share your answers with other students.



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