

Plea of the Martyrs

Revelation 6:9-11

- ⁹ When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held.
- ¹⁰ And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"
- 11 Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed.

A Look at the Base of the Altar

- The Souls of those Slain
- For the Word of God
- And their testimony

How long until Judgment of the earth?

- Appeal is to Holy God
- Appeal is to True God
- Appeal is to Avenge our blood (Lives)

Is This A Proper Attitude for the Redeemed?

- Revenge portends bitterness
- Avenge seeks justice on earth

The Answer of Heaven

- ***** Bestowed purity
- **❖** Wait for brethren who will also die
- **❖** Wait on God and rest

The Destruction of Earthly Powers Revelation 6:12-17

- 12 I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.
- ¹³ And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.
- ¹⁴ Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

- ¹⁵ And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,
- ¹⁶ and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!
- ¹⁷ For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

The Judgments of God

- Earthquakes
- ☐ Sun obscured visibility like black goat's hair
- □ Blood Moons
- ☐ Meteor showers
- ☐ Cosmic upheavals

The Response of International Leaders

- ☐ Terror producing efforts in seclusion
- ☐ Willingness to die to avoid wrath of the Lamb
- □ Wrath is God's settled disposition against evil

Greek ----- Orge

Isaiah 13:10-12

- For the stars of heaven and their constellations
 Will not give their light; The sun will be darkened in its going forth,
 And the moon will not cause its light to shine.
- "I will punish the world for *its* evil, And the wicked for their iniquity; I will halt the arrogance of the proud, And will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.
- 12 I will make a mortal more rare than fine gold, A man more than the golden wedge of Ophir.

Isaiah 24:1-6

- Behold, the LORD makes the earth empty and makes it waste, Distorts its surface And scatters abroad its inhabitants.
- 2 And it shall be:
 - As with the people, so with the priest;
 - As with the servant, so with his master;
 - As with the maid, so with her mistress;
 - As with the buyer, so with the seller;
 - As with the lender, so with the borrower;
 - As with the creditor, so with the debtor.
- The land shall be entirely emptied and utterly plundered, For the LORD has spoken this word.

Previous Prophecy _____



- The earth mourns and fades away,
 The world languishes and fades away;
 The haughty people of the earth languish.
- The earth is also defiled under its inhabitants, Because they have transgressed the laws, Changed the ordinance, Broken the everlasting covenant.
- Therefore the curse has devoured the earth,

 And those who dwell in it are desolate.

 Therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned,

 And few men *are* left.

Isaiah 24:19-23

- The earth is violently broken,
 The earth is split open,
 The earth is shaken exceedingly.
- The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, And shall totter like a hut; Its transgression shall be heavy upon it, And it will fall, and not rise again.
- It shall come to pass in that day
 That the LORD will punish on high the host of exalted ones,
 And on the earth the kings of the earth.
- They will be gathered together,
 As prisoners are gathered in
 the pit,
 And will be shut up in the
 prison;
 After many days they will be
 punished.
- And the sun ashamed;
 For the LORD of hosts will reign
 On Mount Zion and in Jerusalem
 And before His elders, gloriously.

Ezekiel 32:6-8

- ⁶ "I will also water the land with the flow of your blood, Even to the mountains; And the riverbeds will be full of you.
- When I put out your light,
 I will cover the heavens, and make its stars dark;
 I will cover the sun with a cloud,
 And the moon shall not give her light.
- ⁸ All the bright lights of the heavens I will make dark over you, And bring darkness upon your land,"
 Says the Lord God.

Joel 2:10; 30-31

10 The earthquakes before them,
The heavens tremble;
The sun and moon grow dark,
And the stars diminish their brightness.

- 30 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth:
 Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.
- The sun shall be turned into darkness,

 And the moon into blood,

 Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD.

──→ Habakkuk 3:6-11

- He stood and measured the earth;
 He looked and startled the nations.
 And the everlasting mountains were scattered,
 The perpetual hills bowed.
 His ways are everlasting.
- I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction;
 The curtains of the land of Midian trembled.
- O LORD, were *You* displeased with the rivers,
 Was Your anger against the rivers,
 Was Your wrath against the sea,
 That You rode on Your horses,
 Your chariots of salvation?

→ Habakkuk 3:6-11

- Your bow was made quite ready;
 Oaths were sworn over *Your* [a] arrows. *Selah*You divided the earth with rivers.
- The mountains saw You *and* trembled;
 The overflowing of the water passed by.
 The deep uttered its voice,
 And lifted its hands on high.
- The sun and moon stood still in their habitation;
 At the light of Your arrows they went,
 At the shining of Your glittering spear.