

## Wednesday Bible Study – December 17, 2014

### "3<sup>rd</sup> Woe, Baptism of Fire" – (Revelation 11:13, 14)

Read [Revelation 11:7-14](#).

In verse 7 we see the end of the third wave of evangelism in the Tribulation (the missionary work of Moses and Elijah), and these two witnesses are then allowed to be killed.

Review the insert of Last Sunday's bulletin ([Doctrine of Resurrection](#))

#### Resurrection Body of Jesus

1. Retained nail scars in hands and feet (Luke 24:39 – *"See my hands and feet, that it is I Myself, touch Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have."*).
2. Recognized by disciples as the one who died and rose again (Luke 24:34 – *"The Lord has really risen, and has appeared to Simon."*). Read [I Corinthians 15:5-7](#); [John 20:11-17](#).
3. After resurrection He could eat (Luke 24:42, 43 – *"<sup>42</sup>And they gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup>and He took it and ate it in their sight."*).
4. Resurrection body had flesh and bones, but no blood ([Luke 24:39](#)). Verse 40 continues: *"And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and his feet."*
5. The resurrection body was a material construction, and could be felt. Matthew 28:9 *"And Jesus met them and greeted them. And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him."* In John 20:17 Jesus said to Mary, *"Mary, stop clinging to me; for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brethren, and say to them, I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God."* See also [Luke 24:39](#).
6. The resurrection body could breathe. Jesus said in [John 20:21, 22](#), *"...as the Father has sent me, I also send you. And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, Receive ye the Holy Spirit"*
7. The resurrection body could walk through doors (John 20:19 – *"When therefore it was evening, on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst, and said to them, Peace be with you."*).
8. The resurrection body could appear and disappear. Read [Luke 24:17-25](#).
9. The resurrection body could move vertically or horizontally (Acts 1:9 – *"And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight."*).

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#### REVELATION 11:13 – A City is Hit with Judgment

This verse shows a great earthquake killing 7,000 people with a tenth part of the city being devastated. Also the *hoi loipoi* (οἱ λοιποί) "rest (often translated remnant; not *remnant* in this case) were terrified, and gave glory to God of Heaven." These people are described as frightened, but *FEAR IS NOT FAITH* (this is religious "glory-giving" – these people are not right with God... they are afraid and emotional). Read [Romans 1:17-24](#), which gives us a picture of *hardness of mentality*. [Ezekiel 16:23](#) shows where this can lead: to a manifestation of immorality.

#### REVELATION 11:14

"The second WOE is past (6th Trumpet – Review [information about trumpets](#) in Revelation 8, 9 and 11) *and behold; and ἰδοὺ (Focus) the 3rd WOE is coming quickly.*" The 3rd Woe is the *BAPTISM OF FIRE*, which is the down payment on the lake of fire for Tribulation unbelievers; this comes at the 2nd Advent. At the time of the 2nd Advent, Christ finds believers and unbelievers. The unbelievers are cast off; the believers will go into the millennium (Review the [Biblical Timeline Diagram](#)).

#### BAPTISM OF FIRE

1. Scriptures: [Matthew 3:11, 12](#); [Luke 3:16](#); [II Thessalonians 1:7-9](#)
2. Analogy: [Matthew 24:37-41](#). The analogy is that the unbeliever is taken off the earth, and the saved is left to enter into the Millennium – which *is just the opposite* of the Rapture.
3. Parables about the Baptism of Fire:
  - (1) Wheat and Tares – [Matthew 13](#)
  - (2) Good and Bad Fish – [Matthew 13](#)
  - (3) The Good Man of the house – [Matthew 24](#)
  - (4) The Wise and Foolish Virgins – [Matthew 25](#)
4. Mechanics about the Baptism of Fire – [Matthew 25:31-46](#)
5. The Jews are included in the Baptism of Fire – [Ezekiel 20:30-38](#). When the Jews are re-gathered and brought back into the land, the unbelieving Jews are judged and cast off the earth; the born again Jews go into the millennium.

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#### Conclusions:

1. Every believer should be a witness for the Lord Jesus Christ; when a person really has something, they cannot help but to share it.
2. In the Church Age, each believer is an ambassador for Jesus Christ. We have a responsibility to share the good news.
3. Sheep are to have little lambs.
4. As long as God has a purpose for your life, you will remain on this earth.
5. Religion distorts and blinds the truth – Religion is your worst enemy. Legalism, works of the flesh, hypocrisy and facades are all our enemies.
6. In the Tribulation believers will be sustained by spiritual food, which is the only means of sustenance in any period of time. When we suffer, we will be sustained if we have spiritual food residing in our souls.