

# Central Study Hour – Sabbath School Lesson Notes

## *The Book of Revelation: Lesson 13, “I Make All Things New”*

Welcome/Lesson Title.

Memory Text (Emphasis on it all ends well for the faithful)

### SABBATH AFTERNOON

The narrative here mentions the destruction of Babylon. That’s bad news for those associated in any way with Babylon the harlot. It’s good news, however, for God’s people because it is deliverance from the persecution and death that was coming from Babylon.

**Read Rev. 19:2.** *What specific cry finally gets a complete answer in this verse?*

(Refer to Rev. 6:9-10 with teacher’s comments p. 172)

### SUNDAY: THE WEDDING SUPPER OF THE LAMB

In John 14:1-3 Jesus said that He was going to prepare a place for us in heaven. He promised to “come again” to gather His followers to take them back with Him to heaven. In Rev. 19 this reunion is described as starting with a great feast.

**Rev. 19:7-9.** This marriage supper of the lamb reminds one of Jesus’ parable of the marriage feast in Matt. 22.

*What is the connection of the parable of the marriage feast in Matt. 22 to the marriage supper of the Lamb in Rev. 19?* (Compare the two passages. See GC quote in narrative. The point is that Matthew 22 has an investigation before the feast begins (judgment), and Rev. 19 is the feast itself, the reward of eternal life.)

Note that Rev. 19:8 said that fine linen was given to the bride, and that this fine linen represents “the righteousness of saints.”

*How do the saints get this righteousness, and is it visible in the life?*

### MONDAY: ARMAGEDDON ENDS

**Read Rev. 19:11-13.** *What details in these three verses show that the rider on the white horse is Jesus?*

**Read Rev. 19:14-16.** *What is actually happening in these verses?* Read the GC 640-641 quotation from the narrative.

Read the box at the bottom of the page mostly for thought.

**Read Rev. 19:19.** *What will be the outcome of the war between the armies of the earth and the armies of heaven?* For the answer **Read Rev. 19:20.**

### TUESDAY: THE MILLENNIUM

Jesus has come and the wicked are slain. *Now what?*

**Read Rev. 20:1-3.** *During the 1000 years, what will be the state of the earth? And in what way is Satan to be bound?* (Use Jer. 4:23-26, etc.)

*Where are God’s people during the 1000 years?* For answer **Read Rev. 20:4-6.**

*What are they doing in heaven during the millennium? Is there any danger that they may become bored?* (Give good thought to this. See also teacher's comments p. 173)

Read the box at the bottom of the page and just affirm what is implied in the questions.

**Special sum up:** The lesson didn't cover the second half of Rev. 20 where the 2<sup>nd</sup> resurrection, the resurrection of damnation, takes place at the end of the 1000 years. All the wicked people of history, now alive, means that Satan is no longer bound. He deceives them into attacking the New Jerusalem, thinking that they can overpower and take the city for themselves. You see this in verses 7-9. Fire comes down from heaven and consumes all the wicked, including the devil and his hosts of demons. That will be the final judgment, sometimes called the great white throne judgment. You can read this in verses 10-15.

Read Discussion Question #1 from Friday's page. (See teacher's comments p. 174-175, #2+3)

#### WEDNESDAY: "A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH"

Now we go the Rev. 21 where God makes a new heaven (atmosphere) and a new earth. This is where the New Jerusalem is described as coming down from heaven (vs. 2).

**Read Rev. 21:3-7.** *Why does God have to wipe away tears?*

*What comfort do you find in verses 3-7?*

#### THURSDAY: THE NEW JERUSALEM

The New Jerusalem is described from Rev. 21 verse 9 all the way to Rev. 22 verse 5.

*What impresses you most about this passage and why?*

(Do not cover what's in the following question from Rev. 22:2)

*Why does Rev. 22:2 say the leaves from the tree of life are for the healing of the nations? What kind of healing would be needed in a perfectly healthy place like the new earth? (See Teacher's comments, page 174 part III, #1, first part)*

#### CONCLUSION

*What ultimately is the purpose of the book of Revelation?* (Answer from Teacher's Comments #2 on page 175. Don't expound much at all beyond what is there.)

*What does it mean to get prepared for the challenges of the end times?*

Conclude by answering the above question with thoughts from Friday's lesson (I suggest starting with, "That Jesus is coming is the first reality." Continue through to the end of the narrative, reading it or using your own words as you wish.)