

***Wrath & Glory***  
***Unveiling the Majestic Book of Revelation***

**A Study Guide for Bible Study Groups**

**Chapter 1 — Understanding Revelation**

- 1) Why is “Wrath & Glory” an appropriate name for a book about Revelation? (Read Isaiah 2:19-21; Isaiah 24:1-6, 21-23; Isaiah 40:10-11; Zephaniah 1:14-17; Zephaniah 3:14-17; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10; Revelation 19:11-18; and Revelation 20:1-6.)

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- 2) Why would it be inappropriate for the name of the book to be “Glory & Wrath”?

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- 3) What is the biblical basis of the picture on the book’ cover? (Read Isaiah 63:1-6; Jeremiah 25:30-31; Habakkuk 3:3-13; Zechariah 14:1-9, 12-15; and Revelation 19:11-16.)

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- 4) What has been your feeling about the book of Revelation, and why? Have you considered it an enigma? Have you been frightened by it? Have you considered it to be a playground for fanatics? Have you written it off as irrelevant to your growth in Christ? What has been your fundamental attitude, and why?

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- 5) List some reasons the author gives for the importance of studying the book of Revelation.

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- 6) What is the theme of the book? (Revelation 1:7 and 22:12)

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7) How do the words, “wrath & glory,” sum up the meaning of the Lord’s return for the entire world? (John 3:36)

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8) How does 2 Timothy 3:16-17 relate to Bible prophecy?

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9) What does the author see as the major barrier to understanding Revelation? Would you agree?

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10) Why does the author believe that Satan is so opposed to the book of Revelation?

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11) Why is the imagery of a lamb and a lion so appropriate for Jesus? (See Isaiah 53:7 and Jeremiah 25:30-31.)

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12) What does the author mean when he says it is important to have “a balanced view of God”? (See Numbers 14:18; Nahum 1:2-3, 7; and John 3:16, 36.)

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13) Why does the author think that Revelation 1:3 is so important in understanding the book of Revelation?

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14) What does the author mean when he says that one of the keys to understanding Revelation is to “rely on the Holy Spirit”? (See 1 John 2:20, 27.)

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15) What is the best way of determining the meaning of symbolic language in the Bible?

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16) How can First Coming prophecies be used as a guide to understanding Second Coming prophecies?

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17) Why is Revelation 1:19 so important as a key to understanding the book?

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18) What is a “flash-forward,” and where can an example be found in Revelation?

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19) What is the fundamental purpose of flash-forwards as used in the book of Revelation?

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20) Why is a knowledge of Old Testament prophecy so important to the understanding of Revelation ?

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21) What is the focus of Bible prophecy, both Old Testament and New?

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22) What is the essence of the Futurist view of Revelation?

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23) What characterizes the Historicist view of Revelation?

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24) How would you define the Preterist view of Revelation?

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25) Why is the Idealist view of Revelation often characterized as an “Alice-in-Wonderland” approach?

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26) What does the author mean when he says that he has an “eclectic viewpoint”?

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27) What is spiritualization of Scripture, and why is it dangerous?

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28) What is the “Golden Rule of Biblical Interpretation”?

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**Chapter 2 — Interpreting Revelation**

- 1) What was the fundamental purpose of Jesus' appearance to John on the Isle of Patmos 65 years after His resurrection?

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- 2) Do you think it is valid to give prophetic significance to the churches listed in Revelation 2 and 3?

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- 3) Chapters 2 and 3 of Revelation contain 12 promises to overcomers. Who is an overcomer? What promise appeals the most to you, and why?

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- 4) Compare what John saw when he was raptured to God's throne room with what others saw when they had the same experience. (Compare Revelation 4 with 1 Kings 22:19; Isaiah 6:1-8; Ezekiel 1:4-28; Daniel 7:13-14; Acts 7:55; and 2 Corinthians 12:1-4.)

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- 5) In chapter 5 of Revelation, what is the significance of the little scroll in the right hand of God?

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- 6) Why is the 7 year period of Tribulation often referred to as Daniel's 70th week of years?

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7) How will people be saved during the Tribulation?

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8) Do you think Revelation 8 could be a First Century man's description of nuclear devastation?

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9) What is your interpretation of the locust attack in Revelation 9? Do you see it as something literal like attack helicopters, or as something supernatural and demonic?

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10) Why does the author believe that the "mighty angel" in Revelation 10 is Jesus?

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11) Who do you think the Two Witnesses of chapter 11 will be, and why?

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12) Chapter 12 of Revelation is full of symbols. What is their meaning?

a) The woman clothed with the sun (v 1) — \_\_\_\_\_

b) The great red dragon (v 3) — \_\_\_\_\_

c) The male child (v 5) — \_\_\_\_\_

d) The great eagle (v 14) — \_\_\_\_\_

13) Why does Satan hate the Jews so much?

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- 20) According to Revelation 20, the Millennial reign of Jesus will conclude with a world wide revolt against Him. Why would people revolt against a ruler who has given them peace righteousness and justice?

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- 21) Who are the people who will constitute the “nations” on the new earth, living outside the new Jerusalem?

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- 22) What do the last words of Jesus, recorded in Revelation 22:20, mean to you, and how do they affect the way you are living?

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**Chapter 3 — Systematizing Revelation**

- 1) When the Bible promises a new earth, does it mean a newly created earth, or does it refer to the renovation of the present earth? (See Psalm 78:69, Psalm 148:6 and Ecclesiastes 1:4.)

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- 2) The author identifies “prophetic gaps” as one of the characteristics of Bible prophecy that make it difficult to understand. How would you define a prophetic gap?

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- 3) What is meant by a prefillment of prophecy in type? Give an example.

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4) What evidence exists in Matthew 24:1-31 that the prophecies it contains were not fulfilled in 70 A.D.?

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5) Why is the oldest prophetic viewpoint called “Historic Premillennialism”?

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6) Do Amillennialists believe in a Millennium?

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7) Why did the Postmillennial view die so suddenly in the early 20th Century?

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8) What is the distinctive characteristic of the Modern Premillennial viewpoint?

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9) What does the author see as the fundamental problem with the Amillennial view?

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10) Why is God determined to send His Son back to reign over the earth for a thousand years?

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11) What are the “Forgotten Promises of Christmas”?

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**Chapter 4 — Probing Revelation**

- 1) After reading this chapter, what questions do you or your group still have about Revelation? Make a list and send them by email to the author at lamblion@lamblion.com. In the subject line type, "Wrath & Glory Questions." List your personal questions below.

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- 2) Which answer to a question in this chapter did you find most surprising, and why?

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- 3) Do you fully understand the chart about Hades on page 175? Summarize why the spirits of believers who died before the Cross went to Hades instead of Heaven.

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- 4) Why is it important to determine the date when the book of Revelation was written?

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- 5) In what way are the Jews still the Chosen People of God? (See Romans 3:1-4; Romans 9:1-5; and Romans 11:1-6, 25-29.)

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- 6) What is your feeling about the timing of the Rapture, and why?

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- 7) With regard to people being saved after the Rapture, what is your interpretation of 2 Thesalonians 2:8-12, and why?

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- 8) What are your thoughts about the lack of reference to the United States in Bible prophecy?

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- 9) How do you relate to the statement, “We don’t work to be saved; rather, we work because we are saved”?

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**Chapter 5 — Applying Revelation**

- 1) How do the New Testament writers relate prophecy to Christian living? (See Romans 13:12-14 and 1 Timothy 6:11-14.)

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- 2) What does the author identify as “two transforming truths” of Bible prophecy?

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- 3) In what ways is the God of the Bible “the God of Prophecy”?

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- 4) Revelation reveals that God is personal and caring. Give an example of these attributes from your personal experience with God.

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5) How do you reconcile the sovereignty of God with the existence of so much evil in the world? For example, was it God's will for the attack on America to occur on September 11, 2001?

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6) How can a God of love also be a God of wrath?

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7) The world affirms that people are basically good. How does this picture line up with the biblical view as presented in the book of Revelation?

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8) The Bible teaches the end times will be characterized by widespread spiritual deception. What evidence do you see of this today?

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9) Revelation affirms that Mankind was created for what purpose?

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10) The world teaches that history is a meaningless cycle of events. What does Revelation teach on this issue?

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