

## THE FIRST FIVE BOWLS OF THE WRATH OF GOD

### Studies in the Revelation

Then I heard a loud voice from the temple, saying to the seven angels,  
"Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God."  
Revelation 16:1

### THE PROMISED WRATH OF GOD:

From John the Baptist:

"As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."  
Matthew 3:11-12

"He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the (what) wrath of God abides on him."  
John 3:36

From Paul:

Therefore consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry. For it is because of these things that the (what) wrath of God will come upon (who) the sons of disobedience, and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them.  
Colossians 3:5-7

For after all it is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to (who) those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be marveled at among all who have believed -for our testimony to you was believed.  
2 Thessalonians 1:6-10

In the Book of Hebrews:

For if we go on sinning (how) willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a terrifying expectation of judgment and THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES

Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God,

and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?  
For we know Him who said, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY."  
And again, "THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE."  
It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Hebrews 10:26-31

### THE FIRST FIVE BOWLS OF THE WRATH OF GOD:

#### Bowl One: Loathsome and malignant sores

So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth; and it became a loathsome and malignant sore (or ulcer) on the people who (1) had the mark of the beast and who (2) worshiped his image.

Revelation 16:2

Then the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Take for yourselves handfuls of soot from a kiln, and let Moses throw it toward the sky in the sight of Pharaoh. It will become fine dust over all the land of Egypt, and will become boils breaking out with sores on man and beast through all the land of Egypt."

So they took soot from a kiln, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses threw it toward the sky, and it became boils breaking out with sores on man and beast.

The magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians as well as on all the Egyptians. And the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he (result) did not listen to them, just as the LORD had spoken to Moses.  
Exodus 9:8-12

#### Bowl Two: Sea became like the blood of a dead man

The second angel poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became blood like (what) that of a dead man; and every living thing in the sea died.

Revelation 16:3

So Moses and Aaron did even as the LORD had commanded. And he lifted up the staff and struck the water that was in the Nile, in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants, and all the water that was in the Nile was turned to blood.

The fish that were in the Nile died, and the Nile became foul, so that the Egyptians could not drink water from the Nile. And the blood was through all the land of Egypt.  
Exodus 7:20-21

The second angel sounded, and something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea; and (what) a third of the sea became blood, and (what) a third of the creatures which were in the sea and had life, died; and a third of the ships were destroyed.

Revelation 8:8-9

### **Bowl Three: Rivers and streams became blood**

Then the third angel poured out his bowl into (what) the rivers and the springs of waters; and they became blood.

Revelation 16:4

#### **Question:**

**These judgments are so horrific, how can a God of compassion and mercy bring this upon the people He created?**

And I heard the angel of the waters saying, "Righteous are You, who are and who were, O Holy One, because You judged these things; for they poured out the blood of saints and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. They deserve it."

And I heard the altar saying, "Yes, O Lord God, the Almighty, true and righteous are Your judgments."  
Revelation 16:5-7

### **Bowl Four: Men scorched with great heat from the sun**

The fourth angel poured out his bowl upon the sun, and it was given to it to (what) scorch men with fire. Men were scorched with fierce heat; and they (1) blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues, and they (2) did not repent so as to give Him glory.

Revelation 16:8-9

#### **Point:**

**They knew these bowls of wrath were from God, yet they refused to repent!**

The earth mourns and withers, the world fades and withers, the exalted of the people of the earth fade away. The earth is also polluted by its inhabitants, for they (1) transgressed laws, (2) violated statutes, (3) broke the everlasting covenant.

Therefore, a curse devours the earth, and those who live in it are held guilty. Therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men are left.  
Isaiah 24:4-6

### **Bowl Five: Destruction of the throne of the beast**

Then the fifth angel poured out his bowl on (1) the throne of the beast, and (2) his kingdom became darkened; and they gnawed their tongues because of pain, and they blasphemed the God of heaven (why) because of their pains and their sores; and (result) they did not repent of their deeds.  
Revelation 16:10-11