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A Study of Revelation 15

Questions on Chapter 15,

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01. **How do the seven last plagues relate to the plagues God sent against Egypt through Moses?**
The connection between these last plagues and the Ten Plagues of Moses is that the Ten Plagues of Moses are a TYPE or LIKENESS to the Seven Last plagues. The Ten Plagues of Moses were physical plagues which affected the people of Egypt, who held God's people in bondage, but the Seven Last Plagues are spiritual plagues which affect those people who oppose God today.
02. **Who controls these seven last plagues? (11:6).**
When speaking of THE TWO WITNESSES (11:6), which represent Christians, the text says, "These have power ... to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will." Thus, it is CHRISTIANS who have the power to smite the earth with plagues.
03. **What do these seven last plagues contain? (15:1).**
The wrath of God.
04. **Who are those who stand on the sea of glass having the harps of God? (15:2). Compare 15:2 and 4:6.**
13:8 says that everyone would worship this beast "whose names are not written in the book of life." Therefore, those who do not worship the beast are those whose names ARE written in the book of life—Christians. This, in turn, means that the people standing on this fiery sea, who had gotten the victory over the beast, are Christians.
05. **What does the fire represent? (15:2).**
SEA OF GLASS MINGLED WITH FIRE—in 4:6, there is a description of God's throne with a SEA OF GLASS before it. To stand before the throne of God would symbolically mean we are in a covenant relationship with Him (7:15). But THIS sea of glass is mingled with fire. FIRE is used symbolically to represent the many TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS a Christian must suffer as he strives to live a Christian life.
06. **Discuss the possible symbolic meaning of the sea of glass mingled with fire (15:2).**
We are taught here that it is not easy to be a Christian. We must constantly endure the trials of this life if we are to stand before God's throne as a Christian. Cf., Acts 14:22.
07. **Who are those who have gotten the victory over the beast? (15:2).**
Christians
08. **Why do these people have the ability to sing the song of Moses and the Lamb? (15:3).**
God's people sing praises to Him because He has provided a way in which man may receive forgiveness of his sins. Man obtains forgiveness by being obedient to the law which God has given him to follow. The law of Christ now provides a way for us to have victory over the beast, his mark, and the number of his name, and we must give God praise for this! To sing the Song of the Lamb indicates that we belong to Him and follow in His ways.
09. **When did all nations come before God to worship Him? (15:4).**
SHALL COME, it is future—on Judgment Day ALL will recognize God. BUT, there is a sense in which it happened(s) when people of all nations obey the gospel and are added to the church. No longer is God's Law only given to a single nation, the Jews, but rather it is for all nations everywhere.
10. **Discuss the difference between those who were subject to the Law of Moses and those who are subject to the Law of Christ.**

The purpose of the song Christians sing in this vision is to show that in order to be obedient to God, we must follow the instructions He has given in His Word. God's followers between the time of Moses and Christ were under the Law of Moses. They sang the Song of Moses. When Christ came, all nations were put under one law, the gospel. Today, we sing the Song of the Lamb. All people of all nations must obey the gospel because it is the judgment of God.

11. When were the judgments of God made manifest? (15:4; John 12:48-50).

When the gospel began to be preached.

12. What is the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony? (15:5).

The TEMPLE OF THE TABERNACLE OF THE TESTIMONY is a likeness to the ancient tabernacle which the children of Israel carried with them in the wilderness. According to Exodus 25:8-9, this was where God dwelt among His people. This tabernacle of the testimony in heaven is the dwelling place of God in heaven. This is designed to show that these plagues which we are about to see come directly from God.

13. What does the white linen the angel wore represent? (15:6).

In 19:8, WHITE LINEN is defined as the "righteousness of saints."

14. What do the golden girdles represent? (15:6).

Ephesians 6:14 contains symbolic language as it admonishes Christians to STAND THEREFORE, HAVING YOUR LOINS GIRT ABOUT WITH TRUTH. Also, in the description of Jesus in 1:13, He is wearing a golden girdle. The golden girdles which the angels are wearing stand for truth. The truth comes from God, and Christians must be girded with that truth at all times. This is how the seven plagues of God are poured out upon the earth—by Christians who teach God's Word.

15. Who gave the angels the vials of wrath? (15:7).

These golden vials are given to the seven angels by one of the four beasts. This is a reference to the FOUR LIVING CREATURES described in 4:6-8. These four living creatures were also responsible for introducing each of the first four seals of chapter 6.

16. When will man be able to enter into the dwelling place of God? (15:8).

Man will be able to enter into the dwelling place of God when the seven plagues of the seven angels are fulfilled--When all things of this earth have been ended.

17. Since these seven last plagues must be completed before any man can enter into the dwelling place of God, when must these plagues take place?

They take place some time before Judgment Day. They will affect man until the time of judgment when God will take His children home to live with Him eternally.

18. Discuss how Christians pour out the seven last plagues upon the world today.

*The ONLY thing Christians possess today which they can use to smite the earth is the Word of God. How can the Word of God be a plague? It is a plague to those who disregard its teachings and are not willing to accept or even hear it. If one is living in the pleasures of sin, with no intention or desire to turn from that type of life, he surely will not want to hear a message which says his end will be eternal destruction. **Thus, it becomes a plague to him.***

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Questions Based on LW's End of Chapter 15 Questions

True/False

01. ____ Christians can be victorious over the beast.
02. ____ Jesus is pictured as wearing a golden girdle.
03. ____ The plagues begin on the Day of Judgment.
04. ____ These last plagues contain the wrath of God.
05. ____ To certain ones, the Word of God is a plague.

Fill in the Blanks

06. The Seven Last Plagues are _____, which affect those people who _____ today.
07. We must constantly endure the _____ of this _____ if we are to stand before God's throne as a _____.
08. All people of all nations must _____ the _____ because it is the judgment of God.
09. The golden vials are given to the seven angels by one of the _____.
10. The _____ thing Christians possess today which they can use to smite the earth is the _____ of _____.

Place the symbol in the space next to its description:

11. _____ The righteousness of saints.
12. _____ We belong to Christ and follow His ways.
13. _____ Trials and tribulations a Christian must suffer.
14. _____ Truth.
15. _____ Spiritual plagues affecting those who oppose God today.

Answers to Revelation 14 Questions: [(01) False, 17; (02) True, 25; (03) True, 66; (04) True, 15; (05) False, 11; (06) unjust, punishment, 21; (07) Hebrews, 12, Jesus, 24; (08) Father, Lamb, 3; (09) singing, new, song, 9; (10) obedient, His, will, 18; (11) Sharp Sickle, 18; (12) Great Winepress, 23; (13) Twelve, 1; (14) Harps, 8; (15) Standing without Fault, 12].

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<u>ACROSS</u>	<u>DOWN</u>
02) Where the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony was.	01) Found 8x in this chapter.
05) The ____ of the testimony in heaven was opened.	03) Full of the wrath of God.
07) ____ and true are thy ways.	04) Can't enter temple till 7 Plagues are ____.
09) Garment made out of gold.	06) Thy ____ are made manifest.
10) Color of the angels' clothing.	08) This chapter talks about the 7 last ones.
13) Great and ____ are thy works.	11) John saw another ____ in heaven.
14) One of Moses and one of the Lamb.	12) A sea of it.