

Can you list the major things happening in these chapters?

Revelation 1 Jesus Revealed

Revelation 2-3 Letters to the Seven Churches

Revelation 4-5 Doxologies: to God as Creator and the Lamb as Redeemer

Revelation 6 The Six Seals

Revelation 7 **The Sealed**

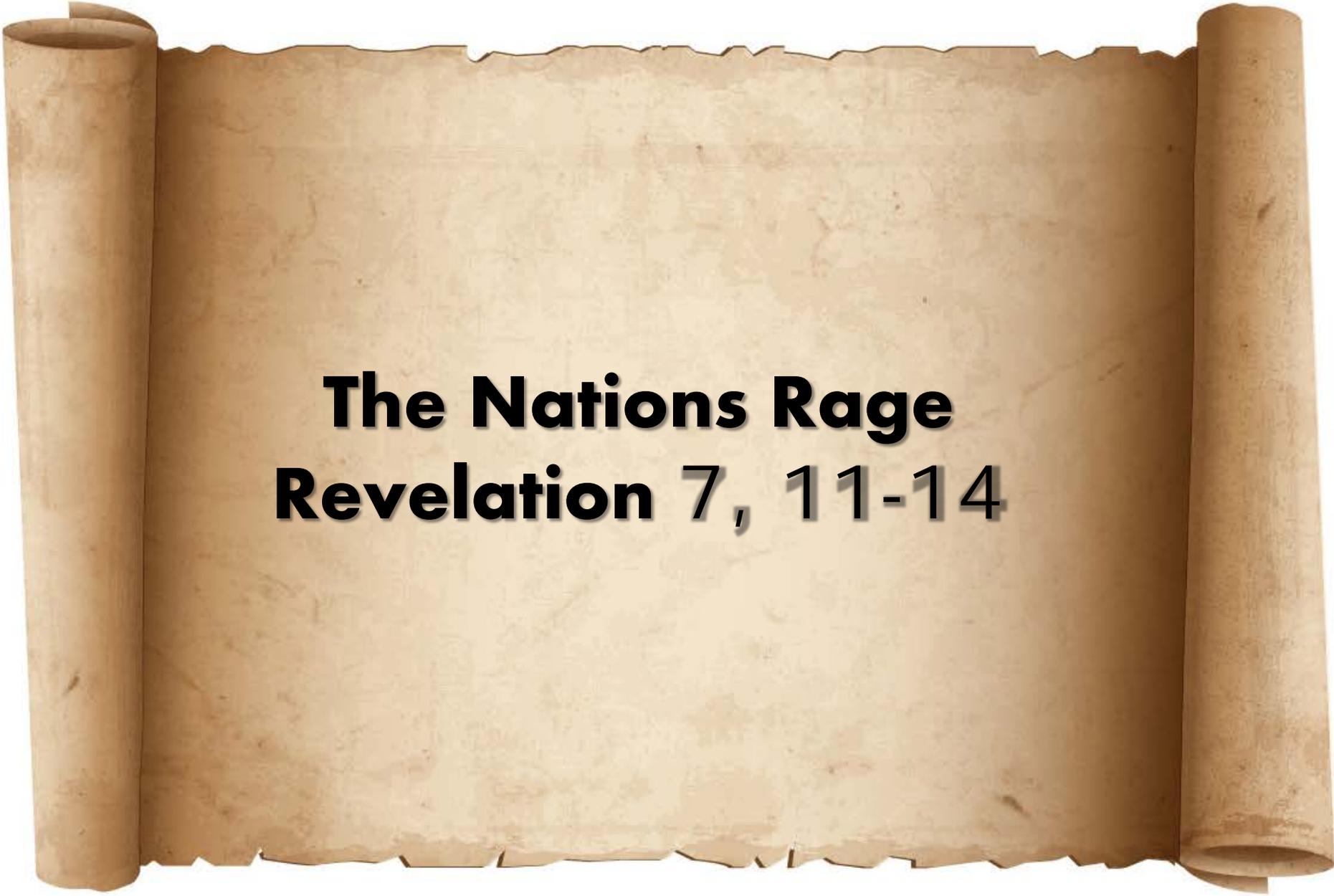
Revelation 8-10 7th seal = The 7 Trumpets

Revelation 11-14 **The Nations Rage**

Revelation 15-16 7th trumpet = The 7 bowls

Revelation 17-20 **"Fallen is Babylon!"**

Revelation 21-22 **A Bride Made Ready**



The Nations Rage
Revelation 7, 11-14

The Major Players in the Events

Satan

144,000

Beast #1

Great Multitude

Beast #2

2 Witnesses

Babylon

Woman



The World Inhabitant
Nation, Tribe, People, Tongue

SATAN

Ch. 12

Makes war in heaven.
Accuses the brethren.
Makes war against those who follow Jesus.
Gives his power/authority to Beast #1.
Is worshipped by inhabitants of earth.
Is bound for 1000 years.
Deceives the nations one more time/war.
Is thrown into the Lake of Fire.



BEAST #1

Ch. 13

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Has authority from Satan.
Makes blasphemies against God.
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BEAST #2

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Looks like a LAMB, speaks like a DRAGON.
He performs great signs; deceives.
Makes everyone worship Beast #1.
Gives everyone mark to Buy/Sell.

BABYLON

Ch. 17-18

She glorifies herself and lives sensuously.
God's people are told to get out of her.
She is burned by Beast #1 in one day.
Merchants mourn at her collapse.

The Nations Rage Revelation 7, 11-14



ROLE:

RELATIONSHIP
TO THE WORLD:

RESPONSE
BY THE WORLD:

RESULT
OF THEIR WORK:



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144,000 Chapters 7/14

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- 12 THOUSAND from each tribe
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Purchased from among men: firstfruits
Blameless

Great Multitude Ch. 7

From **every** nation, tribe, people, language
Clothed in white robes w/ palm branches

- Robes made white in blood of LAMB
- Serve God day and night in His Temple

Sing praise to God
Reward: hunger no longer, thirst no more,
sun doesn't beat down, LAMB is Shepherd,
springs of water, God wipes **every** tear.

2 Witnesses Ch. 11

Can't be harmed until witness is finished.
Bring plagues and signs.
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The Woman Ch. 12

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Offspring will rule all nations.
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I Kings 18-19

Elijah on Mt. Carmel with Prophets of Baal.

“If the Lord is God, follow Him, but if Baal, follow him.”

“They’ve torn down your altars, killed your prophets, and I alone am left.”

Answer: I will leave 7,000 who have not bowed to Baal.

Believers can become distanced from each other by location, by occupation, and by time in history.

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ROLE: KINGDOM OF PRIESTS

1. Praise!

PRAISE is the key in moving forward through TRIAL.

It is not dependent on the situation but on the character of God--and that doesn't change.

Therefore, it is always appropriate to go directly into praise by the blood of Jesus.

ROLE:
KINGDOM OF PRIESTS

1. Praise!
2. Prayer: Intercessory. Groan over evil.

All TRUE prayer is sweet to God.

“MUCH incense.” True prayers of all the saints are filled with much incense. Every prayer you’ve ever offered to God is like sweet perfume to God. What is a “true prayer”? That which is based on the blood.

God’s judgments are not automatic; they come in answer to prayer.

God’s judgments are no more automatic than His blessings. One of the great missing notes in missionary work today is the work of imprecatory prayers. Each of the trumpets (and bowls) are an ANSWER TO PRAYER. What was accomplished by the accepted prayers of the saints: not the warding off of judgments, but the judgments themselves.

“Every true prayer is on file in heaven.”

All the intercessions of the Church have been preserved and will receive their final fulfillment at the end. Abraham. Daniel. Martin Luther. John Calvin. John Wesley. This doesn’t say that all of our efforts at church work is on file in heaven.



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RELATIONSHIP
TO THE WORLD:

A witness. "Blood of the Lamb, word of
their testimony."

Rev. 8:3-5



RESPONSE BY THE WORLD:

Hate the witnesses. Rejoice and send presents when they are killed. Do not repent of idolatry or immorality.

RESULT OF THEIR WORK:

Judgments that bring righteousness and Christ's Kingdom.

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"666"

"Just a man. Just a man. Just a man."

"Not God. Not God. Not God."

"Incomplete. Incomplete. Incomplete."

"Fail. Fail. Fail."

--causes sores on those with it.

Wickedness

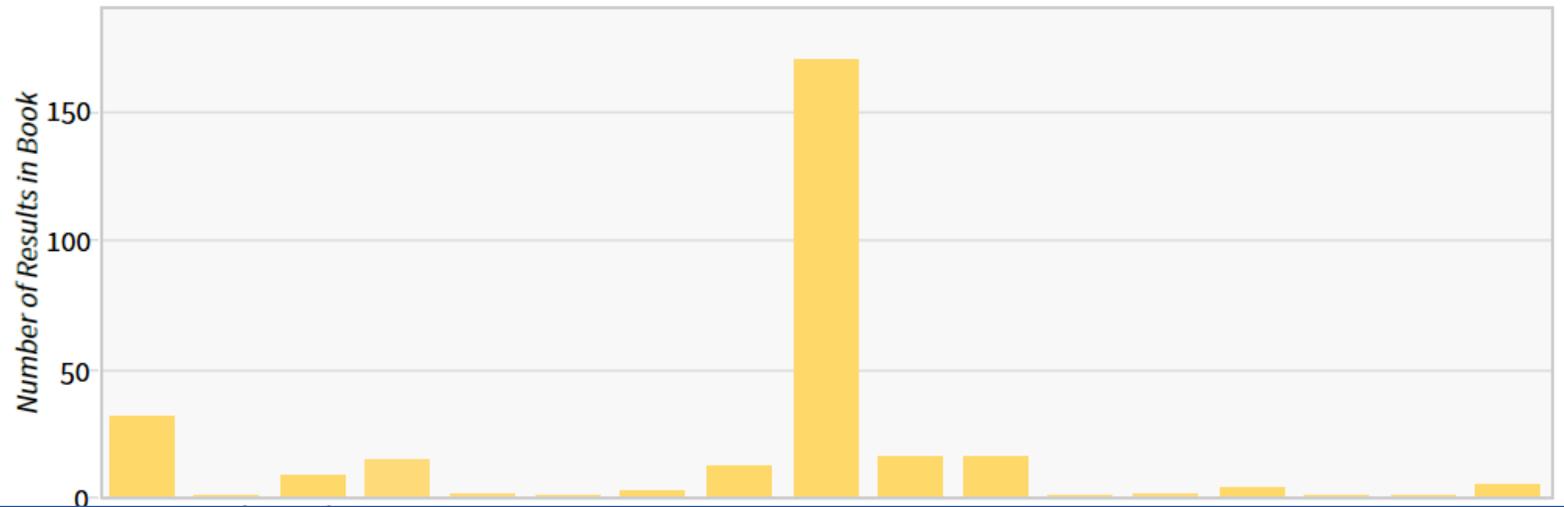


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ROLE:
RULER

RELATIONSHIP TO THE WORLD:

1. CONQUER (Political: one kingdom of this world.)
2. DECEIVE (Religious)
3. ENTICE (Sensuality and "Buy and Sell")

Note: God's system was based on "Receive and Give"

RESPONSE BY THE WORLD:

Are amazed by power of Beast #1. Worship his image.

Are deceived by the signs and wonders of Beast #2.

Commit immorality and drawn into world "buy-sell" system.

RESULT OF THEIR WORK:

They are thrown in the Lake of Fire for eternity.



The World Inhabitant

Nation, Tribe, People, Tongue

Nobody stays undecided.

It becomes clear—

one side or the other—

whether you follow the Lamb of God,

no matter what the cost,

or cash in and go with His enemies.



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What do you tell the followers of the Lamb?

Praise!
Pray!

But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," so that none of you will be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

Hebrews 3:12-14, 12:1-3

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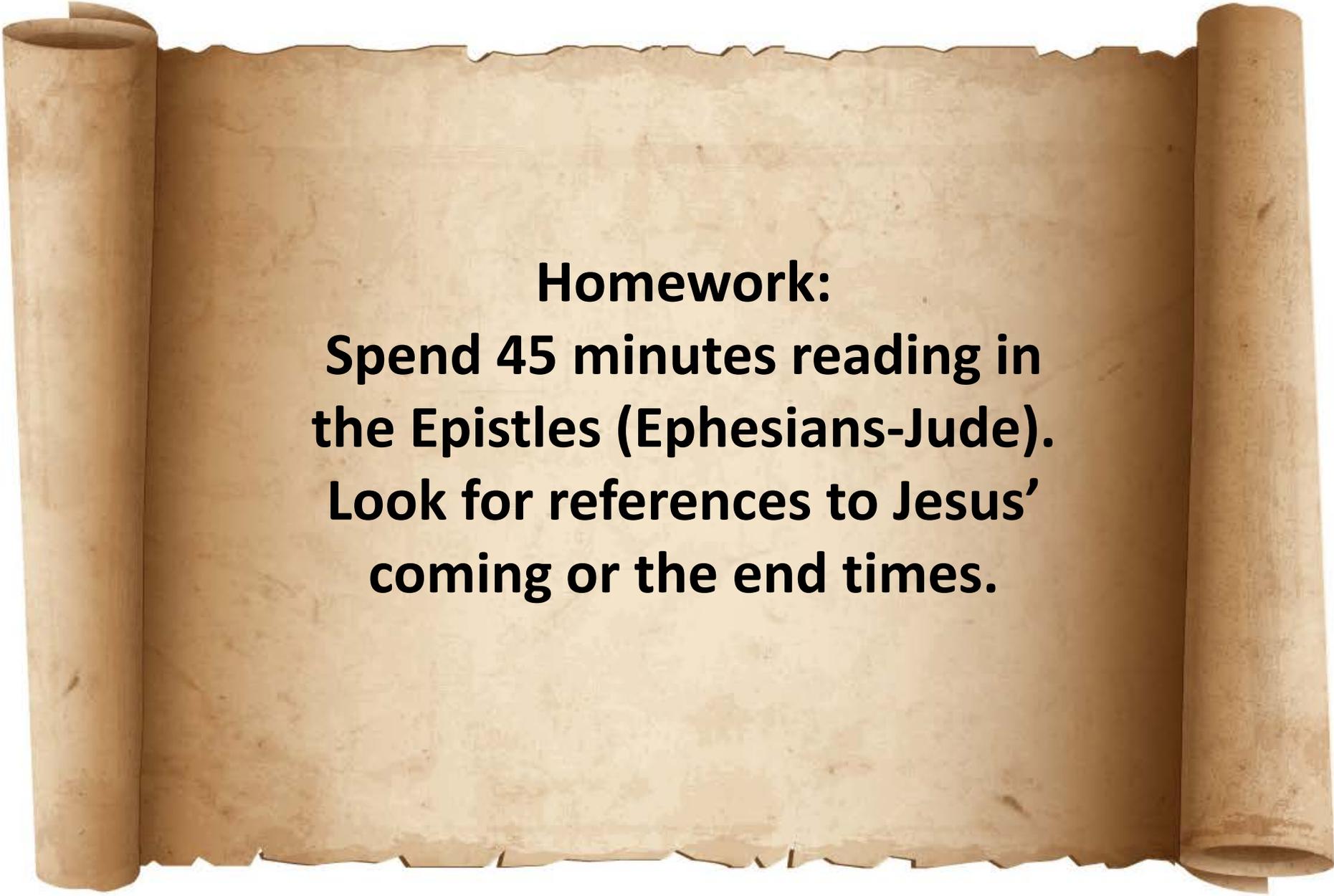
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Homework:

**Spend 45 minutes reading in
the Epistles (Ephesians-Jude).
Look for references to Jesus'
coming or the end times.**