"The World is Prepared for Armageddon"

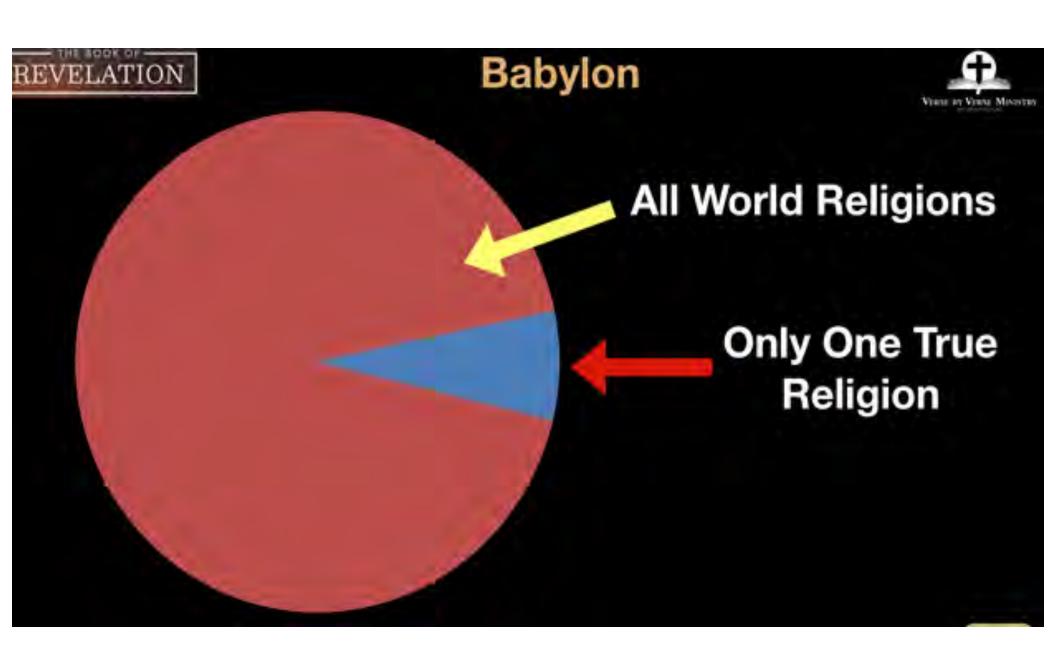
Revelation 16: 12-21

Verse 12 The Sixth Bowl - The Euphrates is dried up

The water from the Euphrates is dried up. Why?

To prepare the way for the kings of the east to gather at Megiddo







Babylon





- Home of sin
- II. Origin of Idolatry
- III. First to Conquer Israel
- IV. Antichrist Headquarters

Verse 13 - 14 and 16 Demonic spirits gather the combatants

Why Armageddon now?

The Bowl Judgments have moved the Satanic trinity to desperate measures

Spirits like frogs - unclean and loathsome

Remember Egypt, the 2nd plague



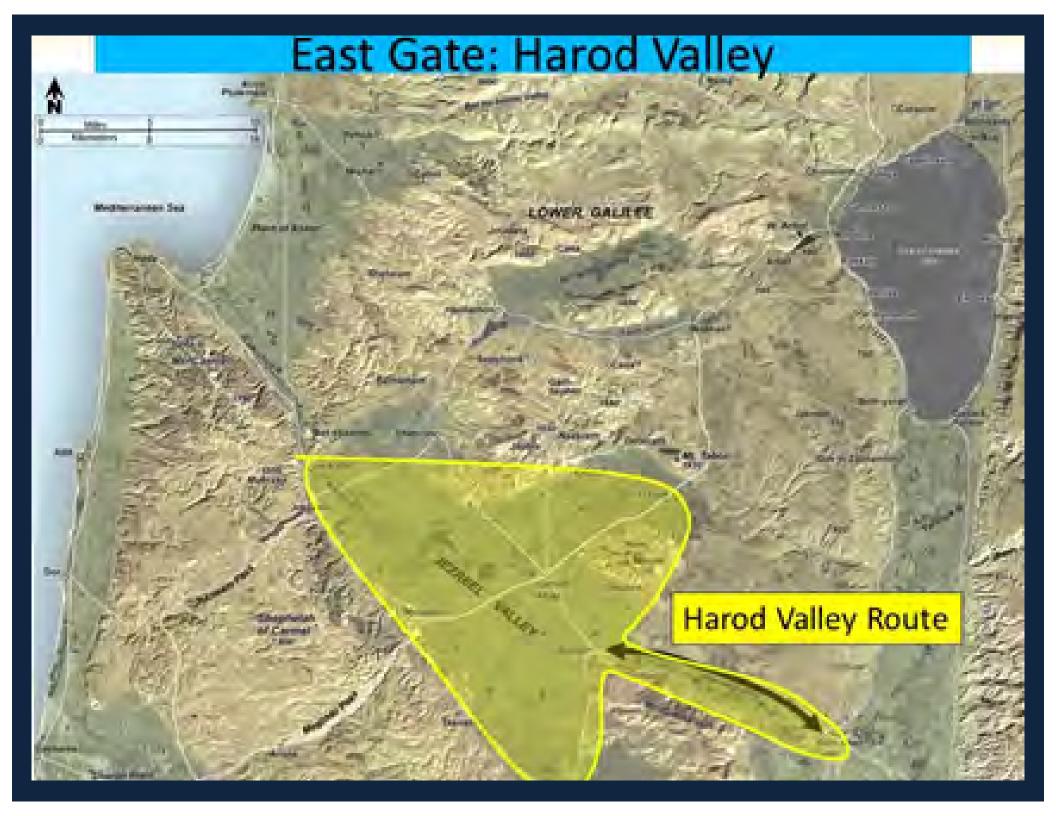
The Satanic trinity knows their demise is imminent!

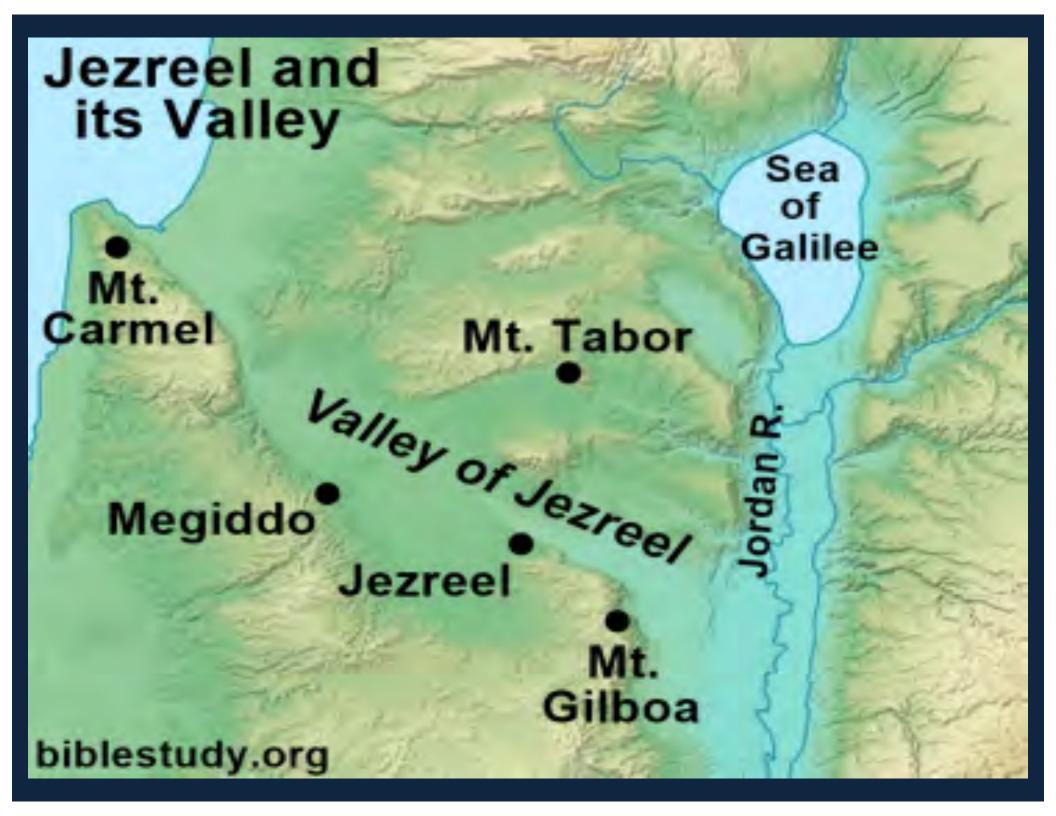
This is the last-ditch effort to thwart Messiah's return

Battle = "polemos" = war, more than one battle

World armies are gathered at Megiddo (the place of troops)







The goal of the Satanic trinity:

Kill every remaining Jew loyal to YHWH

Why?

To thwart the return of Messiah

- 1) Stop the Jews from pleading for Messiah's return
- 2) Prevent them from admitting their national sin of rejecting Messiah

God will preserve His people

God will rescue His people

God will establish a *New Covenant* with His people

Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Verse 15 Behold, I Am Coming as a Thief

Jesus is coming as a thief - meaning?

No one will know the day or hour of His return - Matthew 24: 36

The imagery is clear - BE READY FOR JESUS' RETURN!

"He who watches" is written in the present tense = ongoing watching KEEP WATCHING!!

Watchfulness is evidence of true faith!!



Jesus will come for you!

This is a fact!

All will be called

BE READY!!

Verse 17 The Seventh Bowl - "IT IS DONE!"

"It is done!" It is finished! What is finished?

Antichrist's kingdom is finished!! YEAH!

When did Jesus say,

"IT IS FINISHED"?

The sixth cry from the cross - John 19: 30

All my sins have been PAID IN FULL! "IT IS FINISHED!"

Jesus Christ paid the price to redeem us and to free us from Satan's clutches

Jesus Christ is taking back the kingdoms of this world!

Satan is indeed finished!

Christ is CHRISTUS - VICTOR

The victor over Satan and the victor over sin and death!! John 11: 25

Verse 18 - 20 The Greatest Earthquake in the history of the world

The effect of this massive earthquake and hail are global:

- 1) Jerusalem is divided into 3 parts
- 2) Cities throughout the world collapse
- 3) Babylon will experience the "fierceness of His wrath"
- 4) Hail stones weighing 75 pounds will finish the destruction

CLOSING: THE WORLD IS PREPARED FOR ARMAGEDDON

GOD ALWAYS WARNS BEFORE HE JUDGES!

America was founded on Godly principles (obedience precedes blessings)

Christian nations that prospered under Christian principles have now abandoned God

These nations are experiencing a decline in their cultures

Good is called evil and evil is called good - a glaring sign of decline!

Micah 3: 8-12 tells us about national corruption

Remember: Exit God, enter self!!

God will eventually give a nation, or a person, over to the desire of their hearts

Antichrist will win the hearts of the world

The problem with humanity:
Our hearts are desperately wicked
Jeremiah 17: 9

The armies of the world are massing in Megiddo - being true to their hearts!

- The armies are gathered
- Their plan has been established
- Antichrist will get news that Babylon (his capital) has fallen

Antichrist will then take his forces to march against Jerusalem (the campaign has started)

His goal: Kill every Jew possible (the eradication campaign is in full wing)

NEXT WEEK The Campaign of Armageddon

TAKE HEART, JESUS IS COMING!!