



"Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains...woe to those who are with child and to those who nurse babes in those days!...for then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall." Matt. 24:15-21

"...And I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names. And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority." Rev. 13:1-2

"And it was given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them; and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him. And all who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain." Rev. 13:7-8

"And there was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast might even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed."

Rev. 13:15

# 1. ALL RISE. vs. 9-10

"I kept looking until thrones were set up, and the Ancient of Days took His seat; His vesture was like white snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne was ablaze with flames, its wheels were a burning fire. A river of fire was flowing and coming out from before Him; thousands upon thousands were attending Him, and myriads upon myriads were standing before Him; the court sat, and the books were opened." vs. 9-10

"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of the testimony of Jesus and because of the Word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image...and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years." Rev. 20:4

"Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world?...Do you not know that we shall judge angels? How much more, matters of this life?" 1 Cor. 6:2-3 "...and the Ancient of Days took His seat; His vesture was like white snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne was ablaze with flames, its wheels were a burning fire. A river of fire was flowing and coming out from before Him; thousands upon thousands were attending Him, and myriads upon myriads were standing before Him; the court sat, and the books were opened." vs. 9-10

"And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine upon it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb." Rev. 21:23

## Our Judge:

The Eternal God.

Absolutely Holy and Righteous.

All wise.

Able to bring about justice.

Omnipresent.

Lord of all.

# 2. JUDGMENT RENDERED. Vs. 11-12

"Then I kept looking because of the sound of the boastful words which the horn was speaking; I kept looking until the beast was slain, and its body was destroyed and given to the burning fire. As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but an extension of life was granted to them for an appointed time." vs. 11-12

"For after all it is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you...these will pay the penalty of eternal destruction..." 2 Thess. 1:6,9

"Who opposes and exalts himself above every socalled god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God." 2 Thess. 2:4

"And then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming." vs. 8 "And from His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He might smite the nations; and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. And on His robe and on His thigh he has a name written, 'KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.'" Rev. 19:15-16

"And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies, assembled to make war against Him who sat upon the horse, and against His army." Rev. 19:19

"And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat upon the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh." Rev. 19:20-21

## 3. FINAL SETTLEMENT. vs. 13-14

"I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, and He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations, and men of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.

"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; and the government will rest on His shoulders; and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this." Isa. 9:6-7

#### **APPLICATION FOR ME:**

### MARANATHA is a word of *URGENCY*.

"As for me, Daniel, my spirit was distressed within me, and the visions in my mind kept alarming me." vs. 15

### MARANATHA is a reminder of our HOPE.

"I approached one of those who were standing by and began asking him the exact meaning of all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of these things. These great beasts, which are four in number, are four kings who will arise from the earth. But the saints of the Highest One will receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, for all ages to come." vs. 16-17

### MARANATHA is a warning of JUDGMENT.

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad." 2 Cor. 5:10

#### MARANATHA is a call to WORSHIP.

"And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, 'To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever.' And the four living creatures kept saying, 'Amen.' And the elders fell down and worshiped." Rev. 5:13-14

