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## The Return of the King Revelation 19 Pastor Kirk Gambrell

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## Using This Study

#### EXAMINE His Word

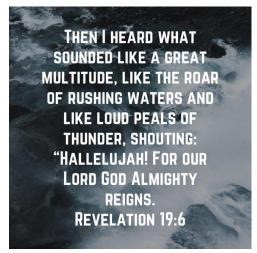
What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

#### EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

## EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.





This week we will look at Chapter 19 of the book of Revelation. Finally, the Lord returns. In this passage we see Jesus riding in on a white horse and destroying the army of the beast. There is great praise of the Lord in the beginning of the chapter when He arrives. It also describes the marriage of the Lamb. There will be a great feast that you do not want to miss. Join us this week as we talk about the ultimate victory of Jesus and what it means for us this week.

#### **REVELATION 19 NASB**

#### The Fourfold Hallelujah

19 After these things I heard something like a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying,

"Hallelujah! Salvation, glory, and power belong to our God, <sup>2</sup> BECAUSE HIS JUDGMENTS ARE TRUE AND RIGHTEOUS; for He has judged the great prostitute who was corrupting the earth with her sexual immorality, and HE HAS AVENGED THE BLOOD OF HIS BOND-SERVANTS ON HER." <sup>3</sup> And a second time they said, "Hallelujah! HER SMOKE RISES FOREVER AND EVER." <sup>4</sup> And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sits on the throne, saying, "Amen. Hallelujah!" <sup>5</sup> And a voice came from the throne, saying,

"Give praise to our God, all you His bond-servants, you who fear Him, the small and the great." <sup>6</sup> Then I heard *something* like the voice of a great multitude and like the sound of many waters, and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying,

"Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.

#### Marriage of the Lamb

<sup>7</sup> Let's rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, because the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His bride has prepared herself." <sup>8</sup> It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright *and* clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

<sup>9</sup> Then he \*said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb.'" And he \*said to me, "These are the true words of God." <sup>10</sup> Then I fell at his feet to worship him. But he \*said to me, "Do not do that; I am a fellow servant of yours and your brothers *and sisters* who hold the testimony of Jesus; worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

#### The Coming of Christ

<sup>11</sup> And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it *is* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. <sup>12</sup> His eyes *are* a flame of fire, and on His head *are* many crowns; and He has a name written *on Him* which no one knows except Himself. <sup>13</sup> *He is* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. <sup>14</sup> And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white *and* clean, were following Him on white horses. <sup>15</sup> From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down 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. <sup>16</sup> And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written: "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

<sup>17</sup> Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in midheaven, "Come, assemble for the great feast of God, <sup>18</sup> so that you may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of commanders, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, both free and slaves, and small and great."

<sup>19</sup> And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies, assembled to make war against

Him who sat on the horse, and against His army.

## **Doom of the Beast and False Prophet**

<sup>20</sup> 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. <sup>21</sup> And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.

# • EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation) What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details from this passage.

Make 10 of your own observations from this passage. Avoid jumping to make interpretive decisions or drawing applications. Save those for the sections that follow. At this point just observe this passage and what it says. Look for things that are emphasized, repeated, and what stands out to you. Look at the verbs, what actions are in the text? Who is involved in the text? There is no right or wrong answer, just list 10 things you see in the text.

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# **O EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation)** (For Community Group discussion) What does God MEAN?

- 1. Why is God praised in this passage?
- 2. Who is called to praise God?
- 3. Who is the Lamb's bride?
- 4. Who is invited to the marriage feast?
- 5. Who is riding on the white horse? How do you know?
- 6. What does it mean to rule with a rod of iron?
- 7. What happens to the beast?

- EMBRACE His Word (Application) (For Community Group discussion) Why does this MATTER to me?
- 8. Do people have to be good to give God praise?

9. How should this passage impact our lives currently?

10. What is the main thing John wanted us to know when he wrote this passage?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

Sermon Notes