




Redmond Church of Christ

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Text: Revelation 16:12-17

"The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up to prepare the way for the kings from the East. {13} Then I saw three evil spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet. {14} They are spirits of demons performing miraculous signs, and they go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty

{15} "Behold, I come like a thief! Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed." {16} Then they gathered the kings together to the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon. {17} The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

A large, fiery nuclear mushroom cloud explosion, with a bright orange and yellow core and a dark, billowing top. The scene is set against a dark, smoky background.

**WHAT IS
ARMAGEDDON?**



Armageddon
Past ~ Present
& Future

Armageddon

There is no “battle”

There is not a word said about the Lord God’s army. Why should almighty God need an army?

There is no such place as Har-Megedon. Har: City of; and Megedon: Mountain of Megiddo.

The name is symbolic. It signifies a conflict, a spiritual conflict in a mortal human..

Armageddon

Har-Megedon... is the way the word appears in the ASV; and it seems to be associated with the plain of Esdraelon in Israel.

There Israel achieved some of her greatest victories and suffered some serious defeats.

It may not, therefore, be associated with either victory or defeat. Perhaps it suggests “the place of decision.” That place, of course, is in the hearts of all people. (Coffman)

Armageddon

“The decision is between good and evil and the punishment for evil. This bowl of wrath is for human ages.

It is not some decisive battle at the end of the age. Such battles (conflicts) are not fought on literal battlefields, but in the hearts of people.”

Commentary Revelation Rev. 16:16
Boyd Williams



PAST

Armageddon Past Age.

Genesis 3:6 "When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it."

Armageddon Past Age.

Genesis 3:15 "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; HE will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.""

Armageddon Past Age.

Nehemiah 9:29-31 ""You warned them to return to your law, but they became arrogant and disobeyed your commands. They sinned against your ordinances, by which a man will live if he obeys them. Stubbornly they turned their backs on you, became stiff-necked and refused to listen. {30} For many years you were patient with them. By your Spirit you admonished them through your prophets. Yet they paid no attention, so you handed them over to the neighboring peoples. {31} But in your great mercy you did not put an end to them or abandon them, for you are a gracious and merciful God."

Armageddon Past Age.

2 Peter 2:4-9 "For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them into gloomy dungeons to be held for judgment; {5} if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, but protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others; {6} if he condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by burning them to ashes, and made them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly;

Armageddon Past Age.

{7} and if he rescued Lot, a righteous man, who was distressed by the filthy lives of lawless men {8} (for that righteous man, living among them day after day, was tormented in his righteous soul by the lawless deeds he saw and heard)-- {9} if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment, while continuing their punishment."



Armageddon Christian Age.

Matthew 4:16-17 "the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned." {17} From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.""

Armageddon Christian Age.

Matthew 16:21 "From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

Armageddon Christian Age.

John 17:24-26 ""Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world. {25} "Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. {26} I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.""

Armageddon Christian Age.

1 Corinthians 15:1-4 "Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.

{2} By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

Armageddon Christian Age.

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

For what I received I passed on to you as of

First importance : that Christ died for our sins
according to the Scriptures,

that He was buried,

that He was raised on the third day according
to the Scriptures,"

Armageddon Christian Age.

1 Corinthians 15:16-18 "For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either.

{17} And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.

{18} Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost."



FUTURE

PRESENT

PAST

Armageddon to Eternal Age.

2 Peter 3:10-13 "But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. {11} Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be?

You ought to live holy and godly lives

Armageddon to Eternal Age.

{12} as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.

{13} But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness."

Armageddon to Eternal Age.

1 Corinthians 15:25-26 "For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. {26} The last enemy to be destroyed is death."

Armageddon to Eternal Age.

1 Corinthians 15:27 "For God "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ."

Matthew 28:18 "Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

Armageddon to Eternal Age.

1 Corinthians 15:24 "Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power."

Armageddon to Eternal Age.

1 Corinthians 15:28 "When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that

God may be all in all."

References

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