

# — happy — MOTHER'S DAY Proverbs 51:26



## IT IS DONE

revelation 16:1-21



"Then I heard a loud voice from the temple, saying to the seven angels, 'Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God."

(Revelation 16:1)



"For the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"
(Revelation 6:17)



The word used for 'bowl' suggests a shallow, saucer-like dish.



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# It Is Done | Revelation 16:1-21 1. The Bowls



Like a telescope being pulled out, the judgements of God extend out from one another leading to greater focus and intensity.



A feature of these seven bowl judgments is that they are cumulative in effect.



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore (Revelation 16:2)



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore Second bowl: oceans polluted with blood (Revelation 16:3)



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore Second bowl: oceans polluted with blood

Third bowl: fresh springs polluted with blood (Revelation 16:4-7)



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore Second bowl: oceans polluted with blood Third bowl: fresh springs polluted with blood Fourth bowl: a sun scorched earth (Revelation 16:8-9)



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore Second bowl: oceans polluted with blood Third bowl: fresh springs polluted with blood Fourth bowl: a sun scorched earth Fifth bowl: humiliating the beast (Revelation 16:10-11)



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore

Second bowl: oceans polluted with blood

Third bowl: fresh springs polluted with blood

Fourth bowl: a sun scorched earth

Fifth bowl: humiliating the beast

Sixth bowl: a river dried up (Rev. 16:12-16)



First bowl: a repulsive and distressing sore Second bowl: oceans polluted with blood Third bowl: fresh springs polluted with blood Fourth bowl: a sun scorched earth Fifth bowl: humiliating the beast Sixth bowl: a river dried up Seventh bowl: earthquake and hailstones (Rev. 16:17-21)



In Greek, the phrase "It is done" is one word that indicates that what has been in the process of developing is now complete.



God's decisive judgment will now lead to the restoring promise of his new kingdom on earth.



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- 1. The Bowls
- 2. Holy Reckoning



He is making all things right through his holy actions, and this absolutely includes his wrath against sin and evil and every form of wicked rebellion.



The word 'wrath' is mentioned 11 times in Revelation.



He loved those who were rejected; he healed those who were afflicted; and he challenged those who needed to be corrected.



That God is holy means that his perfect love is complimented by his perfect justice – and justice includes his wrath towards all that is opposed to him.



"Righteous are You, who are and who were, O Holy One, because You judged these things; for they poured out the blood of saints and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. They deserve it."

(Revelation 16:5-6)



The waters were polluted with blood in this final act of judgment because the earth was polluted with the blood of the martyrs.



It's an interesting observation that the first bowl affected only those who received the 'mark' of the beast.



It's an interesting observation that the people responded to the plagues of God with an even greater hatred for him.



"Behold, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is the one who stays awake and keeps his clothes, so that he will not walk about naked and men will not see his shame."

(Revelation 16:15)

(This is the third of seven beatitudes found in Revelation.)



# Jesus is coming back! The suddenness of his appearing means we must act, and be, ready!



- 1. Jesus is coming back!
- 2. Look and act prepared!
  Basically, 'shame' amounts to being ineffective and careless.



- 1. Jesus is coming back!
- 2. Look and act prepared!
  - 3. Walk with God



Choose... A PLAN that works best for you. A PLACE with limited distractions. A TIME that you will be at your best. PEOPLE that will challenge and encourage you.



"...be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

(Romans 12:2)



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