

Revelation 15

Review

- The setting for this book?** 95 AD, in a Roman prison colony on the Isle of Patmos (Aegean Sea, just off the western coast of what is today the country of Turkey)
- Situation with the 7 churches of Christ in Asia Minor?** Undergoing severe persecution (along with problems with false teachers)
- What was the first beatitude that we find in the *Revelation*?** *Rev. 1.3*
- What was the second beatitude (that we find in *Rev. 14*)?** *Rev. 14.13*

Revelation 15.1-4

-This is the shortest chapter in the book of the *Revelation* and is the beginning of the last set of 7's in the book (7 churches of Asia, 7 seals, 7 trumpets, 7 beatitudes)

V1 – **Why will this be the last set of 7's in the book?** Because there has been no repentance from the Empire, and the wrath of God is about to descend on them for the persecution of his people

V2 – **What did John see?** Sea of glass (red) – maybe a reference to sunset or sunrise over the sea

-Look back at *Rev. 4.6* – the sea of glass before God

-**What were the saved people doing?** Holding the harps of God

V3 – The "Song of Moses"? **See *Exod. 15.1-18*** – sung after the defeat of the Egyptian army

-Remember the "Song of the Lamb" – *Rev. 5.9, 12*

-**Conclusion?** There will be a lot of singing in heaven

V4 – **What is the theme of the Song of Moses?** Praise for the redemption that God granted his people

Revelation 15.5-9

V5 – Heaven opened up for John to see

V6 – **Authority of the angels?** The temple (which was God)

V7 – **Who gave the 7 angels the 7 bowls of wrath?** One of the 4 living creatures

V8 – **Other examples of God appearing in smoke?**

-Pillar of smoke by day (in the wilderness)

-*Isaiah 6* – God appeared in smoke in the temple to speak to the prophet Isaiah

-The time for repentance on the part of the Empire was over