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Revelation 19:11-16

Revelation 19:11a

Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a <u>white</u> horse!

White - symbolic of "victory"
Rev 6:2 rider of a white horse conquerors

Revelation 19:11b

The one sitting on it is called <u>Faithful and</u> <u>True</u>...

•Jesus, faithful in His 1st coming (John 17:4)

Rev 21:1-5, 22:1-6 "trustworthy and true"
<u>Assuredly</u> He do His 2nd coming mission

Revelation 19:11c

...and <u>in righteousness he judges and</u> <u>makes war</u>.

•lsaiah 11:1–5

Righteousness demands evil be judged
B/C He is faithful, God has entrusted Jesus with the duty to exact justice

"Just" or "righteous"

 River reed used as a construction tool to judge the straightness of walls / fences

•God is the standard / plumb line by which all things are evaluated (Amos 7:7-9)

Bob Utley, <u>Revelation</u>, Commentary Series

Revelation 19:12a

His <u>eyes are like a flame of fire</u>...

Rev 1:14: *His eyes were like a flame of fire...*Rev 2:18: *...who has eyes like a flame of fire*Identification the Rider is Jesus Christ

Revelation 19:12b

...and on his head are <u>many</u> diadems Diadems = royal headband / crown

Represent Christ's supremacy in all areas Rev 12:3: ...on his heads seven diadems Rev 13:1: beast ...with ten diadems

Revelation 19:12c

...and <u>he has a name written that no one</u> <u>knows</u> but himself

A name refers to person's very being
God has...bestowed on Him the name that is above every name... (Phil. 2:9)

Revelation 19:13a

He is clothed in a <u>robe dipped in blood</u>...

Isaiah 63:1–3
Day of justice
God's wrath will be spent on the wicked

Revelation 19:13b

...and the name by which he is called is <u>The Word of God</u>

Throughout Johannine scriptures
Identifies the Rider as Jesus

Revelation 19:14

And the armies of heaven, <u>arrayed in fine</u> <u>linen</u>, white and pure, were following him on white horses.

 Includes angels (Matt 25:31 / Mark 8:38) and the saints (1 Thes 3:13 / Rev 19:8)

Revelation 19:15a

From his mouth comes a <u>sharp sword</u> with which to strike down the nations

Symbol of God's Word *sword of the Spirit...word of God* (Ep 6:17) Isaiah 11:1-5 & 2 Thes 2:8

Revelation 19:15b

...and he will rule them with a rod of iron

Symbol of His just rule Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance...You will rule them with an iron scepter... (Ps. 2:8–9)

Revelation 19:15c

He will tread the <u>winepress of the fury of the</u> <u>wrath</u> of God the Almighty.

•Rev 14:9-11

•Enemies will drink the wine of God's fury

Revelation 19:16

On his <u>robe</u> and on his <u>thigh</u> he has a name written, <u>King of kings and Lord of lords</u>.

Also in Pauline scripture – 1 Tim. 6:15
Coat of arms – Jesus is totally sovereign
He will establish supreme & total peace

What will might this look like?

How secure are all his faithful subjects!

•Others kings are subdued / He never will be

Other rulers bring harm to their subjects
He will bring nothing but peace and joy

•Jesus will not desert you, because He is <u>faithful</u> and His promises are <u>true</u>

Do we know whether Jesus is our King?

Do we merely profess to be his subjects?
Are we are living in obedience to him?
Is it clear that Jesus is our Lord?

How awful to be found amongst His enemies!

His name is a pledge of universal conquest
How terrible will be His righteous wrath!

•What will it be like on that Day?

•Shall we not do everything within our power and influence to help the Lost?

How do we reach out during COVID?

Are people giving others judgmental looks b/c they are not wearing a mask?
Anyong get offended if you wear a mask?

Anyone get offended if you wear a mask?

Compassion is more important than ever
Driving, Safeway, sports, school, etc.
How can I encourage someone to Christ?

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