

## THE LAST PLAGUES

1. What is threatened by the Third Angel's Message? Rev. 14:10. Whose wrath is threatened? How is it poured out? Into what is it poured?
2. What is contained in the seven last plagues? Rev. 15:1
3. What decree goes forth before Jesus comes? Rev. 2:11.
4. When the good Spirit of God leaves the earth forever, in what sad condition will its inhabitants be left? Amos 8:11, 12.
5. Will the world be without an Intercessor when the plagues are being poured out? Rev. 15:8. Note 1.
6. From what holy place do the angels come who pour out these plagues? Rev. 15:5, 6.
7. Describe the first plague. Rev. 16:1,2. Who are specially seized by the first visitation of wrath?
8. Where is the second plague poured out? Verse 3.
9. Against what is the third directed? Verse 4.

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**10.** During the time of this terrible visitation, who is heard speaking? Verses 5-7. What do they say?

**11.** What does the fourth plague do? Verses 8, 9. What shows the impenitence of the wicked at this time?

**12.** What is touched by the fifth plague? Verse 10. What effect does it have upon this kingdom?

**13.** On what is the sixth plague poured out? Verse 12.

**14.** What nation does the River Euphrates symbolize? Rev. 9:14. Note 2.

**15.** Where are the nations assembled at this time? Rev. 16:13-16; Joel 3:9-16.

**16.** What now takes place? Rev. 16:17-21; Job 38:22, 23. Note 3.

**17.** What solemn words come from the throne? Rev. 16:17. How do they affect the earth? Verses 18-20; Joel 3:16.

**18.** What assurance of protection is given to God's people? Ps. 91:1-11.

## NOTES

1. "It was impossible for the plagues to be poured out while Jesus officiated in the sanctuary; but as His work there is finished, and His intercession closes, there is nothing to stay the wrath of God, and it breaks with fury upon the shelterless head of the guilty sinner who has slighted salvation, and hated reproof. In that fearful time, after the close of Jesus' mediation, the saints were living in the sight of a holy God without an intercessor... The last tear for sinners had been shed, the last agonizing prayer offered, the last burden borne, the last warning given. The sweet voice of mercy was no more to invite, them." — *Early Writings, page 141.*

"When Christ ceases His intercession in the sanctuary, the unmingled wrath threatened against those who worship the beast and his image and receive his mark, will be poured out... These plagues are not universal, or the inhabitants of the earth would be wholly cut off. Yet they will be the most awful scourges that have ever been known to mortals." — *Great Controversy.*

2. The Turkish Empire is clearly symbolized by the River Euphrates in Rev. 9:14. There is no reason to believe that the Spirit uses the symbol here with a different meaning. Under this plague apparently the Ottoman power, which for so many years has been crumbling away, will be literally "dried up;" will come to its end. This fact is

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stated, though the steps in detail by which this will be brought to pass may not all be clearly given.

**3.** The Turk, having been driven from the soil of Europe, has established the capital of his kingdom at Jerusalem, and here in the valley of Jehoshaphat the terrible battle of Armageddon will take place. The preliminary steps to bring this to pass are now being seen among the nations. Truly this will be a time of trouble such as never was, a time of "confused noise, and garments rolled in blood." In the midst of the turmoil, the longsuffering God intervenes. The seventh vial is unstopped. He opens the armory of heaven, and brings forth the "weapons of His indignation," and pours out the reserved treasures of the hail. All the proud and stately nations of earth will be quickly overthrown.