

Revelation 16:1-21

Introduction:

The seven angels pour out their seven judgement vials.

I. The First Judgement Vial (16:1-2)

- A. The place (16:1-2a): It is poured out upon the **earth**.
- B. The punishment (16:2b): Horrible malignant **sores** break out on those who have received the mark of the beast.

II. The Second Judgement Vial (16:3)

- A. The place (16:3a): It is poured out upon the **sea**.
- B. The punishment (16:3b): The waters become as **blood**, killing all life in them.

III. The Third Judgement Vial (16:4-7)

- A. The place (16:4a): It is poured out on the **rivers** and springs.
- B. The punishment (16:4b): These fresh water sources also become as blood.
- C. The proclamation (16:5-7): The angel now announces the reason for this, namely to avenge the blood of **martyrs**.

IV. The Fourth Judgement Vial (16:8-9)

- A. The place (16:8a): It is poured out on the **sun**.
- B. The punishment (16:8b): The sun now **scorches** all people with its fire.
- C. The perversion (16:9): Everyone responds to this plague by cursing God and refusing to repent.

V. The Fifth Judgement Vial (16:10-11)

- A. The place (16:10a): It is poured out upon the throne of the **beast**.
- B. The punishment (16:10b): His entire **kingdom** is plunged into darkness
- C. The perversion (16:11): Once again, the people refuse to repent.

VI. The Sixth Judgement Vial (16:12-16)

- A. The place (16:12a): It is poured out upon the great river **Euphrates**, and its waters dry up.
- B. The punishment (16:12b-14, 16): Demons deceive the kings of the east to march their **armies** westward across the Euphrates to prepare for Armageddon.
- C. The promise (16:15): A blessing is promised to those who **prepare** their hearts for Christ's return.

VII. The Seventh Judgement Vial (16:17-21)

- A. The place (16:17a): It is poured out into the **air**.
- B. The proclamation (16:17b): There comes a voice from the Temple, saying, “It is **done!**”
- C. The punishment (16:18-21a)
 - 1. History’s greatest **earthquake** now occurs (16:18)
 - 2. It splits Babylon into three parts (16:19a).
 - 3. The great **cities** of the world collapse (16:19b)
 - 4. Islands vanish, and mountains are flattened (16:20)
 - 5. Hailstones weighing seventy-five pounds fall from the sky (16:21a)
- D. The perversion (16:21): Unrepentant people continue to curse God.