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Revelation 11:15-19

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Revelation 11:15-19 "Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, 'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever.' [16] And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, [17] saying, 'We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for You have taken Your great power and begun to reign. [18] The nations raged, but Your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, and for rewarding Your servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear Your name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.' [19] Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of His covenant was seen within His temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail."

Reader: This is the Word of The Lord. Response: ***Thanks Be To God!***

I. You can face the future with confidence because Jesus will reign forever.

A. Let Christ's reign steady you when the future feels uncertain.

Revelation 11:15 "Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, 'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever.'"

We don't know how everything will turn out. We do know Who will reign forever.

B. Give Jesus the final say in the ordinary decisions of your week.

Revelation 11:16 "And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God."

Before you hit send on that text, pause and pray, "*Jesus, You're King here, too. What would honor You right now?"*

II. Let's thank God now for the day He'll make things right.

A. Thank God ahead of time for what He's promised to do.

Revelation 11:17 "…saying, 'We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for You have taken Your great power and begun to reign.'"

The elders thank God that He has taken up His power to reign. He will judge the dead, reward His servants, and destroy those who destroy the earth.

We can **pre-thank God** because what He has promised is as good as done.

B. Thank God that He sees your quiet faithfulness.

Revelation 11:18 "…and for rewarding Your servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear Your name, **both small and great**…"

The friend you keep checking on, the person you pray for by name, the kid you make room for at lunch. When you do those things out of love for the Lord, **He sees them**.

We can pray: *"Lord, I'm still waiting for You to make things right. Thank You that You will, and thank You that You see the quiet ways Your people serve You while we wait."*

III. Take heart. The God who rules the world keeps His promises.

A. Remember what the ark tells us about God.

Revelation 11:19a "Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of His covenant was seen within His temple…"

When heaven's temple opens, John sees **the ark of His covenant**. It reminds us that God has pledged Himself to His people. We can count on Him to do what He's promised.

B. Take courage while you wait for God to make things right.

Revelation 11:19b "…There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail."

God has the power to do what He has promised.

When you're weary of waiting for justice or wondering whether your faithfulness matters, remember Who made the promise.

The One who made it is the One who reigns.

<u>Questions for Personal Reflection and/or Community Group Discussion:</u>

1. **Let Christ's reign steady you.** What about the future feels uncertain right now? How does knowing who will reign forever help you face what you can't predict? (v. 15)

2. **Give Jesus the final say.** Think of an ordinary decision you'll face this week. What might change if you paused and prayed, "Jesus, You're King here too. What would honor You right now?" (v. 16)

3. **Pre-thank God for what He's promised to do.** Where are you longing for God to make things right? Which promise in verses 17–18 gives you a reason to thank Him today, even before you see it fulfilled?

4. **Thank God that He sees your quiet faithfulness.** Where are you serving in ways others may never notice? How does God's promise to reward those who fear His name, "both small and great," encourage you to keep going? (v. 18)

5. **Take heart. God keeps His promises.** The ark reminds us that God has pledged Himself to His people, and the storm reminds us of His power. Where do you need the reassurance of both as you wait for Him to make things right? (v. 19)