

THE WORD OF GOD

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"And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and He Who sat upon him **was called Faithful and True**, and in righteousness He does judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns; and He had a Name written, that no man knew, but He Himself. And He was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood; and His name is called **The Word of God**." (Revelation 19:11-13)

Word: from the Greek word **Logos** which means: a Word, in the sense of idea, or thoughts, or reasoning, or purpose, as expressed by words through statements, a speech, or utterances, whether vocally, or written.

God: (of-God) from the Greek word **Theou (theos)** which means: God, a god; the Supreme Being who created and owns, and sustains all things.

Jesus is The Word of God: This is a descriptive Name of Christ Jesus, which simply describes Who He IS! Jesus IS the Word Who was with God in the Beginning! Jesus IS the Word Who IS God! He IS the Word through whom the Father created all things that were created! Jesus is the Word in whom IS Life! And the Life of the Word IS the Light of mankind. Jesus IS the Word of God Who Became Flesh, without spot or blemish, and dwelt among us for our redemption and salvation.

Recommended reading prior to study: Revelation 19:1-21 where this Name is used. Other places where the Good News of Jesus is called the "Word of God": Luke 3:2-6; Acts 4:31, 6:7, 8:4-14, 10:34-38, 13:5, 18:9-11; Hebrews 4:12, 1Peter 1:18-25; 1John 2:14; Rev. 1:1-2.

In Context: Highlights of the events surrounding the use of this title of Jesus (please read Revelation 19:1-21):

- The context is the marriage supper of the Lamb (Jesus) in heaven; followed by the Second Coming of Christ Jesus to earth as King of Kings, and Lord of Lords; and then the destruction of His enemies; and thus, bringing to an end the seven year tribulation!
- "**Verses 1-8**" The fourfold Hallelujah! John hears and records a great multitude in heaven speaking praises to God..
- "**Verses 9-10**" A communication between a fellow servant of Jesus, an angel, and John.
- "**Verses 11-16**" Jesus, whose name is called **the Word of God**, appears in heaven seated on a White horse with the armies of heaven, just prior to His Second Coming, to smite the nations.
- "**Verses 17-18.**" John sees a vision of an angel calling the carrion eating birds to the great supper of God,...
- "**Verses 19-21**" The beast and false prophet are cast into the lake of fire;
- Within these verses several titles of Jesus are mentioned: the Lamb, Faithful and True, **the Word of God**, King of Kings, Lord of Lords, and a name written known only Jesus.
- Events yet to follow: satan is imprisoned; The thousand year reign of Christ; the release of satan; the final battle; the Great White Throne Judgement; the New Heaven and Earth; the New Jerusalem; and the invitation to 'come' and enjoy life eternal with Christ Jesus!

The Context of our opening verses:

- "**And I saw heaven opened**" This is a similar statement to the situation in Revelation 4:1 where John wrote, "...I looked, and a door open in heaven." In this situation John was taken up through the open doorway and into the throne-room of heaven where he saw the visions of Revelation. Now in Revelation 19, John sees heaven open again. But this time the opening in heaven is for Christ Jesus to pass through, along with His armies in heaven, commencing the Second Coming of Christ Jesus to earth!

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- **"and behold a white horse;"** The White Horse here, and the white horse in Revelation 6:2, carry their riders to conquering and conquest; but here in Revelation 19 the Rider is Christ Jesus, and His conquest ends in total victory and elimination of His foes.
- **"and He Who sat upon him was called Faithful and True,"** Jesus is trustworthy, faithful, reliable, true (lit: made of truth), real, and genuine; and speaks both of what He faithfully accomplished during His First Coming to earth, and also to what He now is truly going to shortly accomplish during His Second Coming to Earth.
- **"and in righteousness He does judge and make war."** This is said in fulfillment of Isaiah 11:1-5 which says:

"And there shall come forth a Rod out of the stem of Jesse, and **a Branch** shall grow out of his roots; and the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, the Spirit of Counsel and Might, the Spirit of Knowledge and of the Fear of the LORD; and He shall have quick understanding in the Fear of the LORD. And He shall not judge after what His eyes see, nor reprove after the hearing of His ears; **but with Righteousness shall he judge the poor**, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth; **and He shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.** And **Righteousness shall be the belt of His hips**, and **Faithfulness** the belt of his waist."
- **"His eyes were as a flame of fire,"** As in Revelation 1:13-15, Jesus is coming forth in His Glorified body!
- **"and on His head were many Crowns;"** The conquest of the nations of the Earth, at His Second Coming, will be swiftly achieved. He will be Ruler over all the kings of the Earth. Just as Jesus is King in Heaven, so also will He be King of kings, Lord of lords, over all nations. In this sense Jesus wears many Crowns.
- **"and He had a Name written, that no man knew, but He Himself.** This Name is written somewhere on His person or raiment. What this Name is, and its full meaning, is known only to Jesus, and no doubt the Father also.
- **"And He was clothed with a raiment dipped in blood;"** Symbolizing the fulfillment of Isaiah 63:1-6, which says:

"I who speak in righteousness, am mighty to save. Why are You **red** in Your apparel, and Your clothes like him who treads in the winepress? I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was no one with Me; for I will tread upon them in My anger, and trample them in My fury; and **their blood shall be sprinkled upon My garments, and I have stained all My raiment.** For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come. And I looked, and there was no one to help; and I wondered that there was no one to uphold; therefore **My own arm brought Salvation unto Me**; and My fury, it upheld Me. **And I will tread down the people in My anger**, and make them drunk in My fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth." (see also Revelation 14:19-20; 19:15)
- **"and His name is called The Word of God."** The phrases, 'the word of God' or the 'word of the LORD' are often used in the New and Old Testaments when speaking of the spoken and written Word of God. Often the phrase, 'the word of God refers to the Good News of God the Father concerning His Son Jesus the Christ (see recommended reading examples). I do not know how far the written and spoken word of God can be equated in regards to the phrase being applied to Jesus as a descriptive personal Name; but consider these similarities, quoted from Psalm 119:

-**"The entirety of Your word is truth! And every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever."** (Psalm 119:160) Jesus is the Way, and the Truth, and the Life; enduring forever!

-**"Your word is very pure; therefore Your servant loves it."** (Psalm 119:140) Jesus was sinless, without spot or blemish! He Died to save us, and we love Him!

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-"**Your word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.**" (Psalm 119:105)
Jesus is the Light who enlightens every person who walks with Him!

-"**You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in Your word.**" (Psalm 119:114) Our hope is in the Father's Son Jesus! Jesus is our hiding place.

-"**Let Your mercies come also unto me, O LORD, even Your salvation, according to Your word.**" (Psalm 119:41) Jesus is our Salvation according to God's word and Mercy!

-"**This is my comfort in my affliction: for Your word has given me Life.**" (Psalm 119:50) Christ Jesus is our Life! His Spirit in us is our comfort.

-"**Forever, O LORD, Your word is settled in heaven.**" (Psalm 119:89) Forever Christ Jesus is sitting at the Right Hand of the Father in heaven!

-"**I rejoice in Your word, as one that finds great treasure.**" (Psalm 119:162) We rejoice in Jesus, who has made us His great treasure!

And perhaps in Revelation, the Name '**the Word of God**' is used with the same connotation; and as a **Second Coming personal Name of Jesus!** It is a Name that describes Who Jesus IS!

John, in the Beginning of the Book of Revelation wrote this:

"The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto Him, to show unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass; and He sent and signified it by His angel unto His servant John; **who bore witness of the Word of God**; and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and to all the things that he saw." (Revelation 1:1-2)

And again, "I John, who is also your brother and companion in tribulation, and in the Kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos, **because of the Word of God**, and the testimony of Jesus Christ."

John was a faithful eye-witness of Christ Jesus, whom he calls: **the Word of God**, both of His First Coming ministry years and of the Revelation visions he, John, saw of Jesus. And he was a faithful witness to the 'testimony of Jesus' concerning all the prophetic words, teachings, and revelations of Jesus, that he saw, and heard, as written in the Book of Revelation, and in the Gospel of John.

John was a prisoner of the Roman Empire, exiled to the Island of Patmos because of his personal faith and ministry in Christ Jesus, or as he writes:

"Because of **the Word of God**, and the **testimony of Jesus Christ !**" (Revelation 1:1:9)

Jesus is ... The Word of God
Jesus IS the Faithful and True Word of God!
Jesus is the Fulfillment of God's Word!
He is the Way of God's Word, and He is the Truth of God's Word!
Jesus is the Life of God's Word. and He is the Light of God's Word!
Jesus is our Hope and our Salvation!

Lord Jesus come quickly!
Truly, truly, Amen and Amen!