

IT'S ALMOST OVER REVELATION 11:15-19

As we watch the judgments unfold on the earth we wonder if they will ever end and if righteousness will ever triumph. The sounding of the seventh trumpet brings the last seven judgments and the announcement that the struggle between good and evil is almost over. And the victory of God is soon to be realized.

I. THE GLORIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT. 11:15.

A. The Transition of the Kingdom.

1. The kingdom of this world.

* The kingdoms of this world are actually one kingdom under the dominion of Satan.
John 14:30; 2 Cor. 4:4. *

2. The kingdom of our Lord. Dan. 7:13,14; Zech. 14:9.

B. The Duration of the Kingdom. Dan. 7:14.

* Other kingdoms come and gone and those that continue go through transitions, but this kingdom will never change.

II. THE EXUBERANT WORSHIP. 11:16-18.

A. The Participants in that Worship. 11:16.

1. The prominence of the elders in Revelation. See 4:4, 10; 5:5-6, 8, 11, 14; 7:11, 13; 11:16; 14:3; 19:4.

2. The participation of the elders in the events of Revelation.

* It appears that the elders have some knowledge of events on earth and rejoice to see the purposes of God about to be completed. *

B. The Expression of that Worship. 11:16-18.

1. Bowing in humble adoration. 11:16.

2. Proclaiming thankful anticipation. 11:17-18.

a. Thankful that God is taking charge. 11:17.

* God is reigning in greatness and power. *

b. Thankful for divine retribution. 11:18. Cp. Ps. 2.

* One day the injustices of this world will be rectified, *

III. THE MIGHTY CONFIRMATION. 11:19.

A. The Preparation for the Final Judgments. Cp. Rev. 8:5.

B. The Confirmation of the Previous Announcement. Cp. Acts 4:31.

The ultimate triumph of God is absolutely certain. I am glad that I am on his side. Are you? If not, you can be on his side for all eternity by coming to faith in Christ.

