

# APOCALYPSE NOW XXXII

January 18, 2026

**READ: Revelation 16:3-11**

## QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. How do the second & third bowls of wrath (vv. 3-4) parallel the first plague that befell Egypt (Exodus 7:17-21)?

Identify further consequences of the second & third bowls of wrath for the earth and for those who dwell on the earth. (What will these plagues do? What will be the result?)

2. Why is *blood* the key element in the second & third bowls of wrath (vv. 5-7)? (How does the punishment fit the crime? And what role does God's character play?)

How would the LORD exonerate His people (Isaiah 49:26)?

3. How does the fourth bowl of wrath build upon, or amplify, the previous plagues (vv. 8-9)?

What is the reaction of those who dwell upon the earth to this plague? Does this surprise you (or not)? Explain.

4. What is targeted by the fifth bowl of wrath (v. 10)? (Why?)

How is it expressed? Why is this fitting for the throne & kingdom of the beast?

5. How is the suffering of those who dwell on the earth intensified by this darkness (vv. 10-11)?

What is the reaction, again, of those who dwell upon the earth?

6. How do the reactions described vv. 9 & 11 parallel those of the Egyptian plagues (cf. Exodus 7:16; 7:22-23; 8:15; 8:19; 8:32; 9:7; 9:12; 9:34-35; 10:20; 10:27; 11:10; 14:8)?

What does this say about rebellious mankind (cf. Jeremiah 5:3)?

### **PERSONAL RESPONSE**

This week, I will acknowledge God's holiness by . . .

This week, I will trust God's righteousness by . . .