

# The Second Coming: Slaughter at Armageddon

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Big Idea: At Christ's second

coming, victory will be swift and sure by the power of his Word. You can trust the same power of his Word in your battles today.

### Christ's glorious appearance should move you.

## Revelation 19:11-13 ESV

11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. 12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. 13 He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.

### The Second Coming of Christ to the earth

- Personal, not just spiritual
- Public, not secret
- Glorious, not humble
- Wrathful, not peaceful

## Christ's victory in battle should encourage you.

19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. 20 And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.

## Personal Application: (see Hebrews 4:12-13)

If Christ will defeat all enemies by the power of his Word, you can trust him to win the battles in your life. What is one area in which you can be "more than a conqueror?" Rms. 8:37

Are you prepared for his return?

Do you believe that God's judgment is on its way?

#### LifeGroup Study Guide

The Second Coming: Slaughter at Armageddon Revelation 19:11-21

**He is Coming Again!** Christ's first advent was when He became man as an infant through Mary and the Holy Spirit. Christ's second coming will have two distinct phases: 1) The rapture of the church and 2) The battle of Armageddon to pour out His wrath and to establish his 1,000 year reign on the earth (Millennium), as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Read 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 and 1 Corinthians 15:50-55 (Rapture) Acts 1:8-11; Zechariah 14:1-6; and Revelation 19:11-16 (Armageddon).

Compare the two events

	Rapture	Armageddon
How Christ is described		
Who accompanies Him		
What sounds are made		
How far to earth does He come		
What miracles take place		
What are the results		

**He will be Victorious!** God will gather the Anti-Christ and his world powers against Jerusalem (Zech 14:2), but Christ will come to destroy him, his followers, and to restore God's Kingdom. (See Daniel 2:44-45).

What is the difference between the marriage supper and the great supper of God? 19:9, 17

What does this victory look like to: Christ: Angels: Unbelieving Kings, Generals, mighty men, and people (Zeph 3:6-8) Anti-Christ and False Prophet (see also Dan 7:26-27; 9:27) Devil (20:1-3) Armies of God: Church, OT and Tribulation Saints Jewish and Gentile tribulation saints who are still alive

How does this victory encourage you?

How does God's wrath and judgment challenge you? Consider 1 Peter 4:7-19. What does God want from us now?