

Preacher's Pen
Sunday, February 26, 2006

Armageddon

“And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.”, (Revelation 16:16)

As most who are reading this are aware, we are in the process of studying from the book of Revelation in our Wednesday evening adult Bible class. Last week, in connection with the previous verses, we examined the non-biblical word, “rapture”. This coming Wednesday, the verse above will be in our study.

For many, the words “rapture” and “Armageddon” incite feelings of fear and / or confusion. So much has been said of these two words that, absent of Bible study, this is no surprise. However, WITH study, the faithful and obedient child of God not only has nothing to fear – but everything to look forward too!

As in all previous lessons from Revelation, we will let Scripture explain to us what John was describing that he saw while in the spirit on the day of the Lord. We will, once again, see the victory of God and His people revealed through John's description of the sixth angel pouring out his bowl of the wrath of God upon the wicked.

If you are one of the obedient faithful, then you are invited to see the descriptions of doom and destruction upon the lost as your (our) mandate from heaven to recognize the reason for which we yet remain. If you are one who is not sure (II Peter 1:10) then you are invited to make sure.

If you are one who has been made confused by the many and varied televangelists who have sought to explain Armageddon as an event yet to come, then you are invited to recognize that the very name of this book communicates the purpose was to reveal not confuse and to meet with us this week and see how Scripture speaks to this – without interpretation (II Peter 1:20).

In Christian Love and Service,
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