THE SEVEN VIALS – REVELATION 15-16

So far in our studies we have observed three tribulation accounts and witnessed three perspectives of Christ's second advent. The *first* and *second* journeys have included judgments in the form of _____ and _____. The *third* perspective focused on the work and ministry of the _____ as well as the end of the world from heaven's perspective.

Today we begin by seeing the tribulation for the *fourth* and final time in the form of *"*_____*."* A vial is a glass bottle primarily used to contain medicines for remedies and relief. As you know, they are not always palatable but the desired outcome is a cure. While the events poured out from these _____ vials are bitter, they judge the wicked world once and for all, making way for our Lord's glorious return.

1. Prelude to the final vial judgments – Revelation 15:1-8

   a. A great and marvelous sign in heaven – verse 1

      - Seven angels

      - Seven plagues

      - Seven victories

         1) Victory standing on a sea of _____
         2) Victory over the _____
         3) Victory over his image
         4) Victory over his _____
         5) Victory over his number
         6) Victory playing the _____ of God
         7) Victory singing songs:

<u>Song of Moses</u>	<u>Song of the Lamb</u>
Found in Exodus 15	Found in Revelation 15
Sung at the Red Sea	Sung at the Crystal Sea
Song of triumph over Egypt	Song of triumph over Babylon
God brings his people out of Egypt	God brings his people in to his presence
First song recorded in Bible	Last song recorded in Bible
Sung by those delivered from Pharaoh	Sung by those delivered from Antichrist
Sung by redeemed people	Sung by raptured people

   b. The opening of the _____ in heaven

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2. The final judgments – Revelation 16:1-21

   a. A heavenly command – verse 1

      - Deuteronomy 29:18 *thru* 30:7

   b. A horrific commencement – verses 2-21

      - An interesting comparison:

The Trumpets		The Judgment	The Vials
#1 –	8:1-7	Earth and its inhabitants	16:1-2
#2 –	8:8-9	The sea	16:3
#3 –	8:10-11	The rivers	16:4-7
#4 –	8:12-13	The heavens	16:8-9
#5 –	9:1-2	Mankind is tormented	16:10-11
#6 –	9:13-21	Gathering of an army	16:12-16
#7 –	11:15-19	Kingdoms under wrath	16:17-21

   c. The vials are poured out:

      - Vial #1 – The grievous _____ – verse 2

      - Vial #2 – The toxic _____ – verse 3

      - Vial #3 – The spoiled _____ – verses 4-7

      - Vial #4 – The scorching _____ – verses 8-9

      - Vial #5 – The tormenting of _____ – verses 10-11

      - Vial #6 – The call to _____ – verses 12-16

      - Vial #7 – The destruction of _____ – verses 17-21