Quarter Two: Allusions, Images, Symbols: How to Study Bible Prophecy Jill Morikone Lesson 10—Upon Whom the Ends Have Come Sunday: The Wrath of the Lamb June 1, 2025

- Last Week: "In the Psalms: Part 2"
 - Comparison of themes from Psalms and Revelation: the chaos of this world, yet God's promise to right everything and create an everlasting kingdom; our part in evangelism
- This Week: "Upon Whom the Ends Have Come"
 - Stories from the OT that give us details about end-time events:
 - Sun: the cry of the lost when Jesus comes
 - Rev 6:16 "...Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!"
 - Study why they're lost & how we don't have to be in that group
 - Mon: parallels between time of the flood & time b4 Jesus comes again
 - What is our role now, b4 Jesus comes again?
 - How can we witness of His soon return & the need to be ready?
 - Tues: parallels between Sodom & Gomorrah & the last days
 - How we, too, as Christians, can be self-deceived
 - Jer 17:9 the heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked; who can know it?
 - Wed: parallels between Abraham's examination of God's judgment pronounced on Sodom & the saints' examination of God's judgment, prior to the judgment against the wicked (at the end of the 1,000 years)
 - 1 Cor 6:2a "Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? ..."
 - Th: the investigative judgment
 - Discover that judgment is made in favor of the saints, due to Christ's perfect righteousness
 - Discover this week, Christ is at the center of it all

Memory Text: "Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the age have come. Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall" (1 Cor 10:11, 12, NKJV)

The week in brief:

- 1. Sunday: The Wrath of the Lamb (Jill))
 - Matt 24 & Rev 6 the lost's cry to hide from Jesus' coming; they aren't lost because of lack of knowledge, but because of unbelief & refusal to obey
- 2. Monday: Noah's Evangelism (Daniel)

- Gen 6 & Matt 24 parallels between the time of the flood & the time b4 Jesus comes again
- 3. **Tuesday**: The Story of Sodom and Gomorrah (John D)
 - Eze 16, 2 Pet 2 parallels between Sodom & Gomorrah & the last days & warning's for us, as Christians, that we too can step into sin and be self-deceived
- 4. Wednesday: The Judge of All the Earth (SQ)
 - Gen 18 parallels between Abraham's examination of Sodom's sin b4 it was destroyed – and the saints' examination of God's judgment – b4 the wicked's destruction after the 1,000 years
- 5. **Thursday**: The Pre-Advent Judgment (James)
 - Dan 7 the investigative judgment, & judgment made in favor of the saints, due to Christ's perfect righteousness

Sunday: The Wrath of the Lamb Rev 6:12 – 17; Matt 24:14; Matt 24:36 – 44; 2 Pet 3:3, 4

- The Wrath of the Lamb: "the cry of the lost when Jesus comes"
 - Why are they lost?
 - How can we ensure we're not in that group?
- Rev 6:15 17 "And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, (16) and said to the mountains and rocks, 'Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! (17) For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"
 - \circ 6th seal brings us right to the 2nd coming of Christ
 - Interlude: Rev 7 answers the Q: "Who can stand?"
 - Answer: The sealed
- What do we know about the lost?
 - 1. They have knowledge of Christ (call Him, "the Lamb")
 - The gospel has reached them
 - Matt 24:14 "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come."
 - 2. They have knowledge of prophecy
 - "the great day of His wrath has come"
 - They know this is the end times & this is "it"
 - \circ 3. They have knowledge of what is needed to endure
 - "who is able to stand?"
 - They know that their righteousness is not enough
 - 4. They had knowledge, but never knew Christ
 - Matt 25:11, 12 Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' (12) But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, "I do not know you.""

- Wise & foolish virgins when Christ comes (Bridegroom)
 Christ says He does not "know them"
- They've never experienced Christ
- It matters, whether we've met Christ
- 5. They had knowledge of Christ, but never let the gospel change them to the point of loving others
 - Matt 25:41 45 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: (42) for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; (43) I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' (44) Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' (45) Then He will answer them, saying 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'"
 - Jesus' ministry was Luke 4
 - Uplifting the downtrodden
 - Relieving the oppressed
 - \circ Ministering to the broken
 - Setting the captives free
 - Our ministry
 - Love others as Jesus did
 - Minister to others as Jesus did
 - It matters, whether we love others
- 6. They had knowledge, but never made the choice to walk in obedience
 - Matt 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven."
 - And they are told to "depart" from Jesus because they practice iniquity
 - 1 Thess 4:3 "For this is the will of God, your sanctification..."
 - It matters, whether we're willing to walk in obedience
 - We're not perfect in ourselves we must choose to surrender to Jesus

 Say "yes" to Him
- What do we know about the lost?
 - Knowledge without belief won't save us
 - Knowledge without love
 - Knowledge without obedience
 - Knowledge without transformation
- How can we be saved?
 - Ask: for forgiveness of sins
 - 1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

- o Believe: in Jesus and His Word
 - Believe that God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life
 - John 3:16
 - Believe that the blood of Jesus can cleanse you from all sin
 - 1 John 1:7
 - Believe in your heart that God has raised Jesus from the dead, and you will be saved
 - Romans 10:9
 - Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved
 - Acts 16:31
- **Choose**: to walk in obedience (result of being saved)
 - Choose to surrender / to say "yes" to Jesus
 - Choose this day whom you will serve
 - Joshua 24:15
 - Choose to behold Jesus

- 2 Cor 3:18
- Choose to allow Him to make you as a new creation
 - 2 Cor 5:17
- Choose to put on the Lord Jesus Christ and not make any provision for the flesh
 - Rom 13:14
- Choose to allow your old nature to be crucified with Jesus
 - Rom 6:6
- Choose to walk in newness of life
 - Rom 6:4
- Choose to crucify the flesh with its passions and desires
 - Gal 5:24
 - Choose to live and walk in the Spirit
 - Gal 5:25
- Choose to walk in kindness & forgiveness toward others
 - Eph 4:32
- Choose to put on the armor of God that you can stand in the last day
 - Eph 6:13

• Full circle: do you want to stand?

- Stand in the knowledge that you're forgiven
- Stand in the knowledge that you believe in Christ and belong to Him
- Stand in the knowledge that you have chosen, day by day, to walk with Him in obedience

Lesson 11: Ruth & Esther