

WOES OF THE BIBLE

A Study guide for Leaders in the Body of Christ

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INTRODUCTION:

WE CHRISTIANS WILL SUFFER PERSECUTIONS:

Mark 10:29-30

29 And **Jesus** answered and **said**, **Verily I say unto you**, **There is no man that hath left house**, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, **for my sake**, and the **gospel's**,

30 **But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time**, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, **with persecutions**; and in the world to come eternal life.

2 Tim 3:12

12 **Yea**, and all that will live **godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution**.

II Th 1:4-5

4 **So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:**

5 **Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:**

WE CHRISTIANS WILL SUFFER CHASTISEMENTS:

Heb 12:5-11

5 And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, **despise not thou the chastening of the Lord**, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

6 **For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth**, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

7 **If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?**

8 **But if ye be without chastisement**, whereof all are partakers, **then are ye bastards, and not sons**.

9 Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: **shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?**

10 For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but **he for our profit**, that we might be partakers of his holiness.

11 **Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.**

WE CHRISTIANS WILL GO THROUGH TEMPTATIONS:

Matt 26:41

41 **Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation:** the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

1 Cor 10:13

13 **There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.**

James 1:2

2 **My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;**

James 1:12

12 **Blessed is the man that endureth temptation:** for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

2 Pet 2:9

9 **The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations,** and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

BUT WE CHRISTIANS DO NOT HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE “WOES” OF THE BIBLE:

Therefore, let the following “**Woes**” be a warning to “The Body of Christ” - ‘The True Church!’

WOES OF THE BIBLE

I. WOE TO THE CHURCH LEADERS:

Jer 23:1-2

1 **Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!** saith the LORD.

2 **Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock,** and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.

Ezek 34:2

2 **Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds** of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, **Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?**

Ezek 34:4-5

4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

5 **And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd:** and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

Ezek 34:8

8 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, **because there was no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves,** and fed not my flock;

Ezek 34:10

10 **Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against the shepherds;** and I will require my flock at their hand, and **cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more;** for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

Zech 11:17

17 **Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock!** the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

Ezek 13:3

3 **Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!**

Ezek 13:17-18

17 Likewise, thou son of man, **set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart;** and prophesy thou against them,

18 **And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the women** that sew pillows to all armholes, and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to hunt souls! Will ye hunt the souls of my people, and will ye save the souls alive that come unto you?

II. WOE TO THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS:

Matt 23:13-16

13 **But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.

14 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: **therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.**

15 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

16 **Woe unto you, ye blind guides,** which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!

Matt 23:23

23 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

Matt 23:25

25 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

Matt 23:27

27 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

Matt 23:29

29 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,

Luke 11:42-44

42 **But woe unto you, Pharisees!** for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

43 **Woe unto you, Pharisees!** for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets.

44 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!** for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over them are not aware of them.

Luke 11:46-47

46 **And he said, Woe unto you also, ye lawyers!** for ye lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers.

47 **Woe unto you!** for ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.

Luke 11:52

52 **Woe unto you, lawyers!** for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.

III. WOE TO THE PUBLIC LEADERS:

Isa 10:1-3

1 **Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees,** and that write grievousness which they have prescribed;

2 To turn aside the needy from judgment, and to take away the right from the poor of my people, that widows may be their prey, and that they may rob the fatherless!

3 And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation which shall come from far? to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye leave your glory?

IV. WOE TO THE CITIES:

Jer 13:27

27 I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, and thine abominations on the hills in the fields. **Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem!** wilt thou not be made clean? when shall it once be?

Ezek 24:6

6 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; **Woe to the bloody city,** to the pot whose scum is therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it.

Ezek 24:9

9 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; **Woe to the bloody city!** I will even make the pile for fire great.

Nahum 3:1

1 **Woe to the bloody city!** it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey departeth not;

Hab 2:12

12 **Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood,** and stablisheth a city by iniquity!

Zeph 3:1

1 **Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!**

Matt 11:21

21 **Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida!** for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

V. WOE TO THE NATIONS:

Eccl 10:16

16 **Woe to thee, O land**, when thy king is a child, and thy princes eat in the morning!

Isa 17:12

12 **Woe to the multitude of many people**, which make a noise like the noise of the seas; **and to the rushing of nations**, that make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters!

Isa 18:1

1 **Woe to the land shadowing with wings**, which is beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

Isa 24:16

16 **From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs**, even glory to the righteous. But I said, **My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me!** the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.

Amos 6:1

1 **Woe to them that are at ease in Zion**, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, **which are named chief of the nations**, to whom the house of Israel came!

VI. WOE UNTO THE RICH:**Hab 2:6**

6 Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, **Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his!** how long? and to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!

Luke 6:24-25

24 **But woe unto you that are rich!** for ye have received your consolation.

25 **Woe unto you that are full!** for ye shall hunger. **Woe unto you that laugh now!** for ye shall mourn and weep.

Jude 1:11

11 **Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.**

Jer 15:10

10 **Woe is me**, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! **I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury;** yet every one of them doth curse me.

Jer 22:13

13 **Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness**, and his chambers by wrong; **that useth his neighbour's service without wages**, and giveth him not for his work;

VII. WOE TO THE DRUNKARDS:**Prov 23:29-35**

29 **Who hath woe?** who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling?
who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?

30 **They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.**

31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup,
when it moveth itself aright.

32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.

33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse
things.

34 Yea, **thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea**, or as he that
lieth upon the top of a mast.

35 They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they have beaten me,
and I felt it not: when shall I awake? **I will seek it yet again.**

Isa 5:11

11 **Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong
drink;** that continue until night, till wine inflame them!

Isa 5:22

22 **Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine,** and men of strength **to mingle
strong drink:**

Isa 28:1

1 **Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim,** whose glorious
beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are
overcome with wine!

Hab 2:15

15 **Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink,** that putteth thy bottle to him,
and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

VIII. WOE TO THE REBELLIOUS THAT COVER UP THROUGH PSYCHOLOGY:

Isa 29:15-16

15 **Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD,** and their
works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?

16 **Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's
clay:** for shall the work say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing
framed say of him that framed it, He had no understanding?

Isa 30:1

1 **Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of
me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to
sin:**

IX. WOE UNTO THEM THAT TURN TO THE FLESH (EGYPT) FOR HELP:

Isa 31:1

1 **Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help;** and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD!

Isa 30:2-3

2 **That walk to go down into Egypt,** and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and **to trust in the shadow of Egypt!**

3 **Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.**

X. WOE TO THE PRIDEFUL:**Isa 5:18-21**

18 **Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity,** and sin as it were with a cart rope:

19 That say, Let him make speed, and hasten his work, that we may see it: and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know it!

20 **Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil;** that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

21 **Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!**

Luke 6:26

26 **Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you!** for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

XI. WOE TO THE WICKED AND THE EVIL:**Job 10:15**

15 **If I be wicked, woe unto me;** and if I be righteous, yet will I not lift up my head. I am full of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction;

Isa 3:9

9 The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom, they hide it not. **Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves.**

Isa 3:11

11 **Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him:** for the reward of his hands shall be given him.

Isa 33:1

1 **Woe to thee that spoilest,** and thou wast not spoiled; **and dealest treacherously,** and they dealt not treacherously with thee! when thou shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; and when thou shalt make an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.

Jer 45:3

3 **Thou didst say, Woe is me now!** for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

Jer 50:27

27 Slay all her bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: **woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.**

Lam 5:16

16 The crown is fallen from our head: **woe unto us, that we have sinned!**

Ezek 2:10

10 And he spread it before me; and it was written within and without: **and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.**

Micah 2:1

1 **Woe to them that devise iniquity,** and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.

Hab 2:9

9 **Woe to him that coveteth an evil covetousness to his house,** that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the power of evil!

Ezek 16:23

23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (**woe, woe unto thee! saith the Lord GOD;**)

XII. SUNDRY WOES:

OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD:

Isa 6:5

5 **Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone;** because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

Isa 45:9-13

9 **Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker!** Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?

10 **Woe unto him that saith unto his father, What begetteth thou?** or to the woman, What hast thou brought forth?

11 Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

12 I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.

13 I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways: he shall build my city, and he shall let go my captives, not for price nor reward, saith the LORD of hosts.

Jer 4:13

13 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots shall be as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. **Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.**

Hosea 9:12

12 Though they bring up their children, yet will I bereave them, that there shall not be a man left: yea, **woe also to them when I depart from them!**

Amos 5:18

18 **Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD!** to what end is it for you? the day of the LORD is darkness, and not light.

OFFENSES AGAINST GOD:

Matt 18:7

7 **Woe unto the world because of offences!** for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

Matt 26:24 Mark 14:21

24 The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but **woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed!** it had been good for that man if he had not been born.

Luke 17:1

1 Then said he unto the disciples, **It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!**

Luke 22:22

22 And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but **woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed!**

PROPHECY:

Ezek 30:1-3

1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 **Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Howl ye, Woe worth the day!**

3 **For the day is near, even the day of the LORD is near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of the heathen.**

AMERICA:

Jer 4:31

31 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, and the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saying, **Woe is me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers.**

Jer 10:19

19 **Woe is me for my hurt!** my wound is grievous: but I said, Truly this is a grief, and I must bear it.

Jer 10:24

24 **O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.**

THE TRIBULATION:

Matt 24:19 (Mark 13:17 Luke 21:23)

19 And **woe unto them that are with child,** and to them that give suck in those days!

IDOLS:

Hab 2:19

19 **Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach!** Behold, it is laid over with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in the midst of it.

NO NEW WINE:**Micah 7:1**

1 **Woe is me!** for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: **there is no cluster to eat:** my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

Isa 65:8

8 **Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster,** and one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.

XIII. IN THE MINISTRY:**GO TWO BY TWO:****Ecc1 4:9-10**

9 **Two are better than one;** because they have a good reward for their labour.
10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: **but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up.**

PREACH BY THE FEAR OF THE LORD:**1 Cor 9:16**

16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, **woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!**

XIV. THE FINAL WOES:**Rev 8:13**

13 **And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth** by reason of the other voices of **the trumpet of the three angels,** which are yet to sound!

Rev 9:3-6

3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

Rev 9:12

12 **One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.**

Rev 9:15-16

15 **And the four angels were loosed**, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

16 And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

Rev 9:18

18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

Rev 11:14-15

14 **The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.**

15 **And the seventh angel sounded;** and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Rev 11:18

18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.

Rev 12:7

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

Rev 12:9

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Rev 12:12

12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. **Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.**

THE END

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