

*“And I heard a great voice out of the Temple saying to the seven angels, ‘Go your ways, and pour out The Vials Of The Wrath Of God upon the earth.” Revelation 16:1-2 KJV*



When natural disasters happen there is absolutely nothing men can do but hunker down, flee, or mourn their losses, but it's strange how it is a dollar amount that is used to determine the value of that loss. Nothing is quite so telling as what is considered a loss. *“For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”* We spend our lives in pursuit of the temporal, while completely ignoring the eternal; to wit, our own soul! We bemoan trouble as if God Himself laid it our doorstep, when if the Truth be known, we are simply reaping what we've sown! It is not God's Wrath that brings us misfortune, but our own wickedness. Nay, but for the Hand of God, we would perish altogether! *“It is of the LORD'S Mercies that we are not consumed, because His Compassions fail not. They are new every morning: Great is Thy Faithfulness.”* Wicked men will always blame God, rather than repent and seek His Mercy! Our troubles in this life give us no idea of what the Wrath of God is! *“For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the Wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.”* Revelations gives us a glimpse of what will befall. A vial is a small thin glass container like a test tube. The Seven vials in Revelations 16 are but a taste of God's Wrath!

Vial 1: *“There fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.”* Vial 2: *“And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.”* Vial 3: *“And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.”* Vial 4: *“And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the Name of God, which hath Power over these plagues: and they repented not to give Him Glory.”* Vial 5: *“And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of Heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.”* Repented not!

Though trouble be exceeding great,  
The wicked will bemoan the fate,  
Their sin brought down upon their pate,  
They'll not repent when e'en too late,  
And blaspheme God and seal their fate! –CGP

Vial 6: *“And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up...And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that Great Day of God Almighty.”* Vial 7: *“And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the Temple of Heaven, from the Throne, saying, ‘It is done.’ And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake...and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His Wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God.”* Just a glimpse!

*“Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him.”* Isaiah 3:11 KJV