



The Seventh Seal (v. 1-6):

- Silence in Heaven (Praise is Paused)
- Angels are Summoned for the Trumpet Judgements
- The Prayers of the Saints are Brought Before God
  - o “All of the Saints” (None have been lost.)
  - o “Thy Kingdom Come...”
    - Jesus, Noah, Abraham, David, Mary, Paul
  - o “...how long until you judge those who live on the earth and avenge our blood?” (Rev. 8:10ff)

The Altar of Incense:

- Incense is a Symbol of Prayer
- Ref. Golden Alter Before the Holy of Holies
  - o Tended to by the Priests 3x per Day
  - o Faces the Mercy Seat from the Other Side of the Curtain
- The Emblem of the Prayers (Incense) Was Used to Bring Judgement Upon the Earth
  - o Voices, Thunder, Lightning, Earthquake.
    - **Φωνή** (Phon’ay): Noise, Sound, Voice (Strong’s Definitions)

The First Trumpet (v. 7)

- Rain of Hail, Fire, and Blood
  - o Hail Used as Judgement in Multiple Examples (Ex. 9:18-26; Job 38:22-23; Isa. 28:2; Joel 2:30)
  - o **Χόρτος** (Chortos): a "court" or "garden", i.e. (by implication, of pasture) herbage or vegetation: —blade, grass, hay. (Strong’s Definitions)
  - o 33% of Trees (Implied: Fruit Bearing) All Green Pastureland

The Second Trumpet (v. 8-9)

- “...something like a” (Simile) Resembles/Not Literal
- Characterized: Massive size, Rocky, On Fire
- Judgement Directed to the Oceans
- Chemically Altering the Ocean Makeup (Blood)
- Destroyed 33% Marine Life & Ocean Vessels

The Third Trumpet (v. 10-11)

- Star From Heaven (Angel, Demon, Object)
- Judgement Directed at Freshwater
- **ἀψίνθιον** (Apsinthion): Bitterness (fig. calamity)

The Third Trumpet (v. 10-11)

- Affected Freshwater Sources (33%) Became Toxic
- An Uncounted Number (Many) Perished

The Fourth Trumpet (v. 12)

- Reoccurring Theme of Thirds in Judgement
- Impacting Sources of Visible Light
- 1/3 of the Sun was “struck” (lit. Smitten)
  - o Damage Resulting in the Loss of Light
- 1/3 of the Moon (Less Light or Similar Calamity?)
- (1/3) 33% of Stars No Longer Visible

The Warning Cry of the Eagle (v. 13)

- TR- Angel; mGNT- Eagle
  - o Eagles: Symbols of Strength, Speed, Far-sight
- **Κατοικέω** (Katokeo): to house permanently, i.e. reside (literally or figuratively):—dwell(-er), inhabitant(-ter).
  - o By Implication: Citizen
- **οὐαί** (Ouai): a primary exclamation of grief.
  - o Identifies Calamity. Not a Call for Mercy.

For Session 22:

- Read Chapter 9
- Look for “Like” or “As” Statements.
- Why are These Three Trumpets Different?
- Are the Trumpets a Herald, a Warning, or a Command?
- Try to Identify What Descriptions are Literal and What are Figurative
- Journal and Share with Your Groups

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