## Session 22: The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet Judgements (Ch. 9) Remember Acts 17:11 Revelation Outline (1:19): Write what you have seen, What is, What will take place after this Why Trumpets? In the Bible, Trumpets are Used: Open Religious Festivals or Worship Times - Military Commands Warning Calls to Civilians Heralding Calls to News o Proclamations of Law Civil Actions or Organizing Events o The Arrival of a Royal Official The Warning Cry of the Eagle (8:13) Woe, Woe, Woe to the inhabitants (Citizens) of the Earth. 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. The Fifth Trumpet (v.1-3): "Star" Fell (or "flew down to") o "Given to him..." (Person/Created Being) o Angelic Worker Sent on a Mission o Or Satan Cast Out Permanently (Ref. Job) • (Other Occurrences of Falling Stars) Was Given the Key to the "Abusso" (Pit) Was Given Authority Over (Imprison/Release) o Opened the Pit (Smoke Released) Sun (Sky) Further Darkened o Locust-like Creatures (Demonic by Association) Ordered to Torment the "Citizens of Earth" (Unsealed by God) But Not to Harm any Remaining Other Form of Life

Journey Through the Bible: Revelation

Descriptions of the "Locusts:" (v. 4-6)	
- Torment for 5 Months	
<ul> <li>Death will be Withheld from the Earth</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>Wanting to die but can't.</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>Same Length of Time as the Flood of Noah</li> </ul>	
• (150 days)	
- Shaped "Like" Horses	
<ul><li>Spanish: la cavalletta ("Tiny Horse")</li></ul>	
o German: die Heuschrecke ("Hay Horse")	
- Heads Looked "Like" Human, Crowned	
- Hair "Like" a Woman's (Long, Flowing)	
- Teeth "Like" Lions (Long, Sharp)	
- Breastplates "Like" Iron (Metallic Red/Grey, Hard)	
- Sound "Like" Running Chariots	
- Tails "Like" Scorpions (With Stingers)	
- Had a KING (Proverbs 30:27)	
<ul> <li>Not Actually Locusts</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Led (Driven) by the Angel of Destruction</li> </ul>	
(Abaddon)	
Assumptions Dawn from the Description:	
- Living Creatures	
<ul> <li>Intelligent, Strong, Protected</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>A Great Multitude</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Capable of Inflicting Great Pain</li> </ul>	
o Reflection of the Fiery Serpents (Num. 21)	
<ul> <li>Constrained by God's Authority</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Limited Target and Impact</li> </ul>	
- Demonic in Origin (Coming from the Abyss/Hell)	
- Set Out (Driven Out) to Bring Judgement on the Earth	
- Target: The Unrepentant (Unsealed)	
The Sixth Trumpet (v. 13-21):	
- At Least 5 Months After 5 <sup>th</sup> Trumpet	
- Called Angels (Not Demons)	
- Golden Alter (Alter of Incense/Prayer)	
<ul> <li>Horns are Symbols of Power and Authority</li> </ul>	
- Λύω (L'00-0h): Loose ( <u>let loose</u> ), Unbind, Untie	
Fig: Break up, Dissolve, Melt	
- Δέω (Deh'-oh): To bind tie, fasten	
Fig: Take Possession of, Put Under	
Obligation, To Prohibit (Forbid)	
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The Sixth Trumpet (Contd.):	
Fig: "Release from an immediate obligation to assume	
another task."	
John's Gospel and Demons:	
<ul> <li>Demons are Not Confronted in John's Gospel</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Δαιμόνιον: (Daimonion): a demonic being; by</li> </ul>	
extension a deity: -devil, god.	
o John 7:20; 8:48-49, 52; 10:20-21	
o Rev. 16:14; 18:2	
- ἀγγέλους: (Angelos) 9:14-15	
Angels Bound (Assigned) to the River:	
- Daniel 12:5-7 (3 Angels, 1 Identified in v. 1 as	
Michael)	
o Ref. Zech. 1:8-17 (Patrol but Quartered/Bound)	
<ul> <li>Writing During the Close of Babylonian</li> </ul>	
Exile	
<ul> <li>Valley of Myrtle Trees</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Zechariah 1:8-11 pictures a man standing in a ravine</li> </ul>	
among myrtle trees apparently enjoying their humble	
beauty and fragrance. This is a good example of Bible	
ecology as a ravine or other watercourse is the habitat of	
the myrtleOld Dominion Univ. "Bible Plants" <a href="https://ww2.odu.edu/~lmusselm/plant/bible/myrtle.php">https://ww2.odu.edu/~lmusselm/plant/bible/myrtle.php</a>	
- Prepared Especially for This Task	
<ul> <li>Kill 1/3 Remaining Human Populous</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Implied Power Over of 200,000,000</li> </ul>	
(Human/Angelic/Demonic?)	
(Tuman/Angene/Demonie:)	
Description of Soldiers:	
- Armored (Breastplates)	
o Fire Red (War),	
<ul> <li>Hyacinth: Deep Blue/Dark Red/Purple</li> <li>Blue: Reminder of God's Authority</li> </ul>	
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red Bordering on Bluein (.)	
Purple: Royalty  Sulfur Vallovy (Primatona) Purping Sulfur (Diving	
- Sulfur Yellow: (Brimstone) Burning Sulfur/ Divine	
Punishment in Unquenchable Fire	

Description	of the Horses (Mounts):	
- Heads Like Lions (Strength and Danger)		
- Living Weapons: Fire, Smoke, Sulfur (Continuous		
Burning)		
- Tails	Resembling Snakes (Inflicting Injury)	
0	Sin Being Punished (Ref. Num. 21)	
Description of the Citizens of Earth:		
- Survi	vors: Unrepentant/Willful Disbelief	
0	Still Witnessing the Judgements	
0	Still Denying God's Authority	
0	Made "Stiff-necked"	
	■ Ref. Gen. 6-9	
Personal (Ir	ndividual) and Institutionalized Sin:	
- Wors	hipping Demons (Antichrist)	
0	Idolaters (Return to Object-Monument Worship)	
- Murd	lers	
0	Product of Human Life Losing Its Sacred Value	
0	People Become Valued as Functions/Objects	
0	Some Become Inconvenient and Disposable	
0	Others Become Obstacles to be Overcome	
- Sorce	eries (φαρμακεία) Pharmakeia	
0	Sorcery, Magical arts, often found in connection	
	with idolatry and fostered by it	
	<ul><li>(Outline of Biblical Usage)</li></ul>	
0	Potion Craft with the Intention of Altering	
	Mental States for Worship/Existential	
	Experience	
0	Incantation (Ref. Mat. 6:7) to a Demonic	
~	Presence to Curry Favor/Paganistic Sacrifice	
	al Immorality	
0	Reducing Sexuality to Recreation	
	• (Removing the Sacred Value)	
0	Devaluing the Marital Covenant	
	• (Husband, Wife, God)	
0	Seeking Pleasure at the Expense of Potential	
	Life	
0	Objectification of Human Beings (God's Image)	
- Thefts		
0	Outcome of Jealousy (Personal)	
0	Institutionalized in Corrupt Governments	

## The Spiritual Practice of Journaling: Not Just a Diary of Events A Discipline of the Faith Where We Digest the Bible's Impact on Our Lives o What Did We Already Know? O What Was New to Us? o What Challenged Us (Disagreement?) o What Do We Need to Return to for Growth? o Potential Memory Verses o A Gift to Ourselves (Reference & Growth) o A Gift to Those Following After Us For Session 23: Read Chs. 10-11 What is the Purpose of Ch. 10? Who are the Witnesses? What is Their Purpose? Journal and Discuss in Your Groups.