

The Revelation of
Yeshua The Messiah To Yochanan (John)
Study Notes
Chapter 8 PT. 2: The Trumpet Judgements

Revelation 8:7-13 (NASB)

Trumpets One Through Four

⁷“The first sounded, and there was hail and fire mixed with blood, and it was hurled to the earth; and a third of the earth was burned up, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.

⁸The second angel sounded, and *something* like a great mountain burning with fire was hurled into the sea; and a third of the sea became blood, ⁹and a third of the creatures which were in the sea and had life, died; and a third of the ships were destroyed.

¹⁰The third angel sounded, and a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of waters. ¹¹The star is named Wormwood; and a third of the waters became wormwood, and many people died from the waters because they were made bitter.

¹²The fourth angel sounded, and a third of the sun, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way.

¹³Then I looked, and I heard an eagle flying in midheaven, saying with a loud voice, ‘Woe, woe, woe to those who live on the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!’”

Review

- Starting at Chapter 8 of Revelation, Father begins to release His judgement.
- Once the seventh seal is broken, Yeshua is no longer able to buffer the Wrath of God.
- Grace has been exhausted.
 - Grace is when you are given what you **do not** deserve. Mercy is when you are **not** given what you **do** deserve.
- The Judge (Father God) has passed His verdict, and it is a guilty verdict.
- All of Heaven rises for the sentencing.
- **Time Is Up!**



Understanding: The thirty minutes has ended, and Heaven knows that the Earth has run out of time! The seven angels holding the seven trumpets are now ready to blow.

Note: What happens next is also known as “**The Judgments Of Third’s**”

Revelation 8:7-13: Death To Earths Ecosystems

Understanding: Ecology is the study of organisms and how they interact with the environment around them. Disturbing the balance of an ecosystem can be disastrous for all living things that rely upon it.



Verse 7

“The First Trumpet Sounds”



- Hail and fire mixed with blood is hurled to the earth.

Hurled-(Greek)-*tuwl*-to pitch over or reel; hence (transitively) to cast down or out: --carry away, (utterly) cast (down, forth, out), send out.

- A third of the earth was burned up.

- A third of the trees were burned up.
- All the green grass was burned up.

Grass-(Greek)-*chortos*- the place where grass grows and animals graze, a "court" or "garden", i.e. (by implication, of pasture) herbage or **vegetation: blade, grass, hay.**

Note: The “Third” represents a progressive judgment. A massive loss of vegetation. Nothing is allowed to die fast...this is a slow death. **This** is the Wrath Of God!

- By this time, everyone will have had space to repent!

Psalm 7:11-13 (NASB) – “God is a righteous judge, And a God who shows indignation every day. ¹² If one does not repent, He will sharpen His sword; He has bent His bow and taken aim. ¹³ He has also prepared deadly weapons for Himself; He makes His arrows fiery *shafts*.”

Understanding: David knows G-d the Father. He knew the Good Shepherd, and He knew the Righteous Judge!

Let's Talk About Trees



Note: No, humans cannot survive without trees. Trees are essential to life on Earth, providing oxygen for humans to breathe, food for humans and animals, and cooling the climate:

➤ **Oxygen**

Trees produce oxygen, which humans need to breathe. A person breathes about 9.5 tons of air per year, which is about 740 kilograms of oxygen. That is roughly the amount of oxygen produced by seven or eight trees. Without trees, humans would need to develop gas masks to filter the remaining oxygen in the air.

➤ **Food**

Trees provide food for humans, pets, and other animals. Many people also rely on forests for their livelihoods, harvesting food and medicine. Without trees, these people would no longer be able to make a living.

➤ **Climate**

Trees absorb heat and help cool the climate. Without trees, temperatures would rise, disrupting the water cycle and causing a lack of shade. This would be deadly for billions of people and livestock, and would also make it harder for people to cook or heat their homes.

Other Benefits - Studies Show:

- Positive effects on Mental Health, being around trees can improve mood.
- Reduces stress, anxiety, depression, anger, fatigue, and confusion.

Let's Talk About Grass



Note: Grass takes up carbon dioxide and releases oxygen like all living plants.

- Removes carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.
- Traps dust to keep it out of both the air and your lungs.
- Grass is responsible for trapping 12 million tons of dust each year that would otherwise contaminate the air.

Understanding: The Judgement will be like being slowly suffocated. It will be harder to breath.

Verse 8

“The Second Trumpet Sounds”



- *Something* like **a great mountain** burning with fire was hurled into the sea.
 - **Mountain-(Greek)-oros-Lit. a mountain, a hill. (Keep This In Mind for Revelation Chapter 11.)**



Remember: John is trying to describe something as big as a mountain, this is the only thing he knows to compare it with.

- A third of the sea became blood.



Verse 9

- A third of the creatures which were in the sea and had life, died.
- A third of the ships were destroyed. (Commerce and Distribution chains halted.)

Note: Many great theologians believe this great mountain hits the naval branch of the military where their ships are docked. But also, merchant ships which in turn will cause a third reduction in the food supply to the earth.

Verses 10-11

“The Third Trumpet Sounds”



- A great star (Aster) fell from heaven, burning like a torch.
- It fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of waters.

Verse 11

Note: John is given the name of this star. Why? Because names matter.

- The star is named Wormwood.
- Waters became wormwood.
- Many people died from the water. Why?
- The water was made bitter.

Wormwood-(Greek)-*apsinthion*-of uncertain derivation; A type of bitterness. Figuratively means **calamity/chaos**.

- The only place this form of the word “star (Aster)” is used is in **Revelation 8:11**.
- There is a key that helps us know what this is. Names matter.

Star-(Greek)-Aster-where we get the word Asteroid.



Note: Many theorize this to be Apophis, because of its name! **NOT A CONSPIRACY THEORY, BUT A FACT:** The asteroid Apophis will pass near Earth on April 13, 2029, but it is **not expected** to hit the planet. The asteroid will be about 10 times closer to Earth than the moon, or less than 20,000 miles from the surface, which is closer than some satellites. You will be able to see it on October 13, 2025, through most telescopes. You will be able to see it with the naked eye in 2029.

Apophis - It is named for the demon serpent who personified evil and chaos in ancient Egyptian mythology.

- The Rapid Apophis Mission for Space Safety (**RAMSES**) is a planetary defense mission by the European Space Agency (ESA) to study the asteroid 99942 Apophis in 2029.
 - **Ramses - Evil Pharaoh in Egypt at the time of Moses.**
- The mission's goal is to learn how Earth's gravity affects the asteroid's physical characteristics and to develop capabilities to protect Earth from future collisions with similar objects.
- The Ramses spacecraft will launch in April 2028 and rendezvous with Apophis in February 2029. The spacecraft will conduct a thorough survey of

the asteroid before and after it makes a close flyby of Earth, which will only happen once every 5,000–10,000 years.

Verse 12

“The Fourth Trumpet Sounds”



- A third of the sun, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars (**Greek-aster-Asteroid**) ***were struck***.
- A third of them will be darkened.
- Day would not shine for a third of it.
- Night in the same way.

Note: The light on the earth will be diminished by one third. **Everything starts to die.** The human sleep and wake cycles will be greatly disrupted, causing mass confusion.

Question: How can the moon, sun, and stars be struck?

Answer: Something is being either fired at it or a massive meteor shower raining down.

Verse 13

“I Looked and I Heard”

Note: John is pointing out to those who would read and hear this Revelation that he is experiencing this event while he is seeing and hearing it.

“An eagle flying in midheaven” – “Woe, Woe, Woe!”

Understanding: Revelation 8:13, the King James Version of the Bible uses the word "angel" to translate the Greek word *aetou*, which can refer to an eagle or similar bird. However, this is not a **literal** eagle.

Remember: Revelation 4:7 – The Four Living Creatures

- The 4th Creature was like a flying eagle.



Woe-(Greek)-*ouai*- a primary exclamation of grief.

- It is a warning to the people of the earth.
- It proclaims, there is more to come.
- It is warning that there are more Trumpets that still must sound.
 - This is done is Father’s great and eternal mercy, even if for a moment, to give space for repentance. Unfortunately, many will not take this chance.

FEAR NOT: Nothing is happening outside of Gods control. He is a Righteous Judge! Have hope in this!

The End