



Although God has hidden some of the future from us, a mighty angel reveals that the sounding of the 7th trumpet will bring about the full completion of His plan. God's Word is both sweet and bitter to those for whom He gives it.

Outline

- **Chapter Preview** Introduction
- **The Little Book** Revelation 10:1-7
- **John Eats the Little Book** . Revelation 10:8-11



Truths & Principles

- ✓ Some angels have an important duty in giving divine messages to humanity.
- ✓ Those who say they know the dates for the final end-times events are claiming far beyond what Scripture allows.
- ✓ God has already spoken clearly through His servants the prophets.
- ✓ Preaching God's message brings both joy and sorrow.

Preview

This chapter serves as an interlude between the 6th and 7th trumpets. It includes the ominous 7 thunders, which are sealed up and kept secret. The sounding of the 7th trumpet is delayed until John can take the "little book", devour it, and prophesy again.



Applications

- ✓ Be content not to know everything there is to know about divinely inspired predictions of the end of the world.
- ✓ Proclaim the Word of God as you are entrusted with it, knowing that it will be both a blessing and a burden.
- ✓ Maintain your faith that God's final judgment is certain even though it is delayed.



Test all things; hold fast what is good. 1 Thessalonians 5:21

1. John saw a mighty angel coming from heaven clothed in what (10:1)? _____
2. What did the mighty angel have opened in his hand (10:2)? _____
3. When the angel cried out, what uttered their voices (10:3)? _____
4. After hearing the voices, what was John instructed to do (10:4)? _____
5. When the 7th angel sounds his trumpet, what would happen (10:7)? _____
6. When John asked the angel to give him the book, what did the angel tell him to do (10:9)? _____
7. What did John do with the little book? (10:10) _____

Study Questions

1. Read Revelation 10:1-7 and Daniel 10:4-12:13.
 - ❖ How is the vision of Revelation 10:1-7 similar to that of Daniel 10:4-12:13?
2. Compare the appearance and purpose of the angel in this chapter with the popular conception of angels.
 - ❖ How might your understanding of angels change as a result of this chapter?
3. What is the implication for us that John was forbidden to write down what the seven thunders spoke?
4. Describe, in your own words, the mystery that will be accomplished in the days that the seventh angel sounds his trumpet.
5. Give some examples from your own life of the sweet effect of the Word of God.
 - ❖ Can you give examples – from your life or from the lives of others – of its sour effect?
6. Suppose you know absolutely that the return of Christ and the end of the age would happen in the next ten years.
 - ❖ How would that be sweet to you?
 - ❖ How would it be sour?