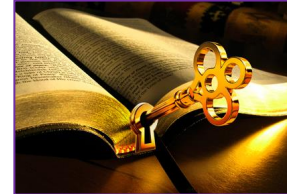




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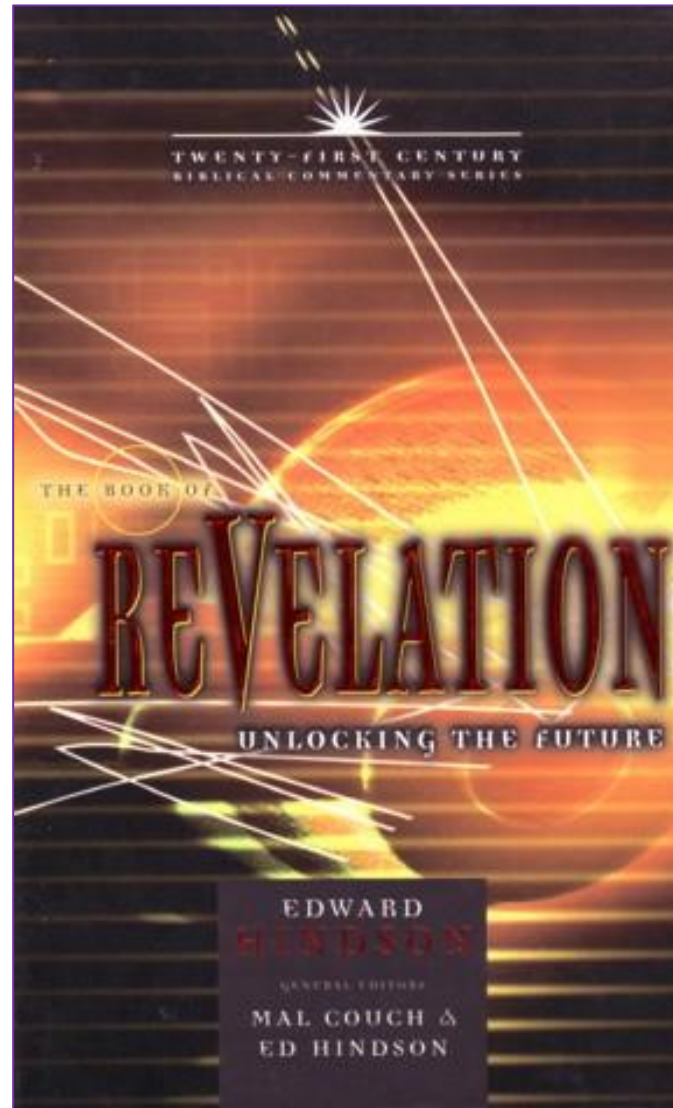
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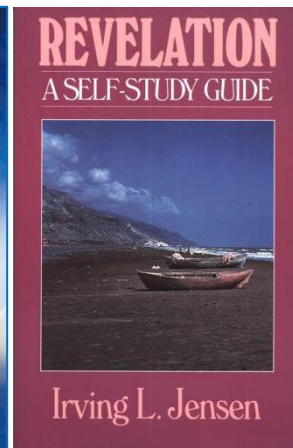
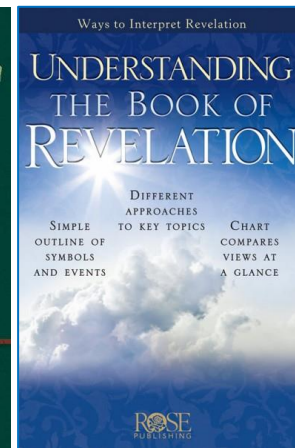
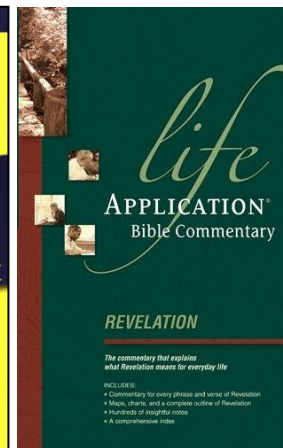
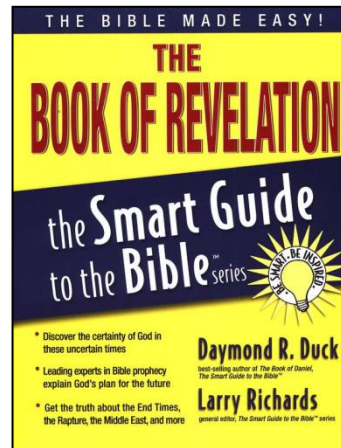
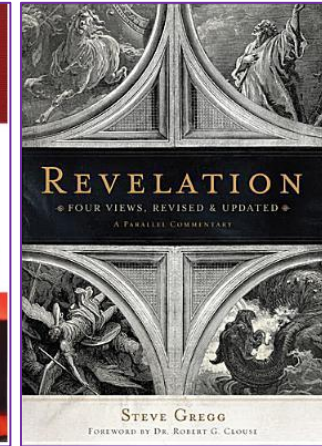
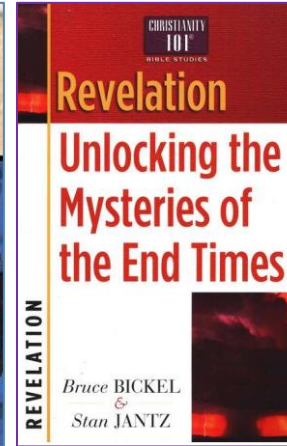
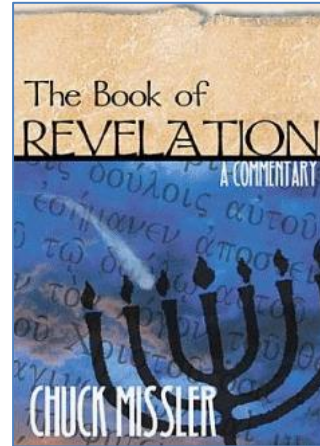
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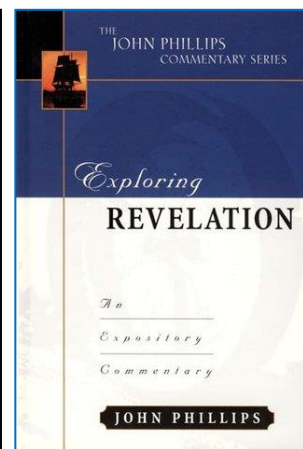
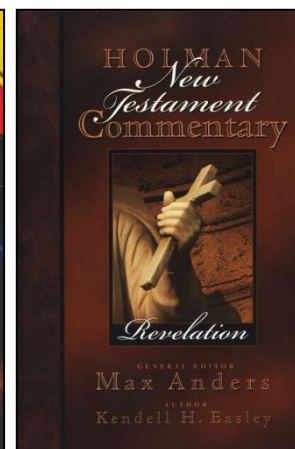
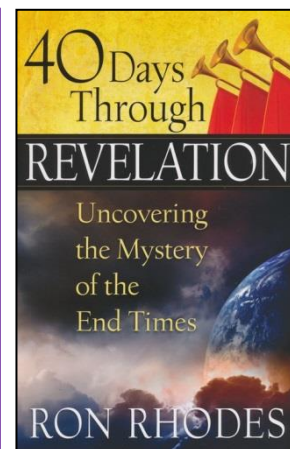
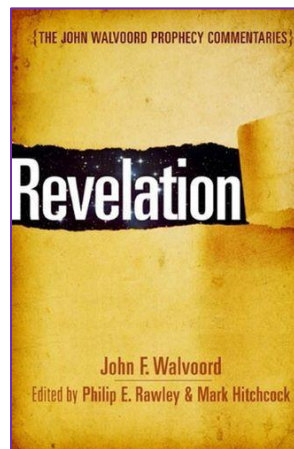
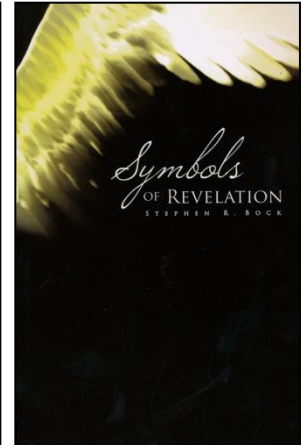
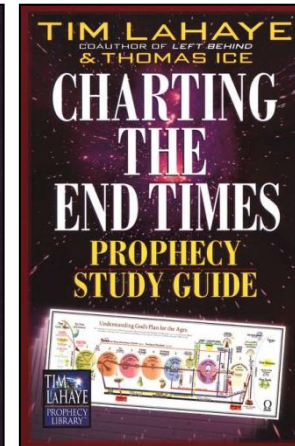
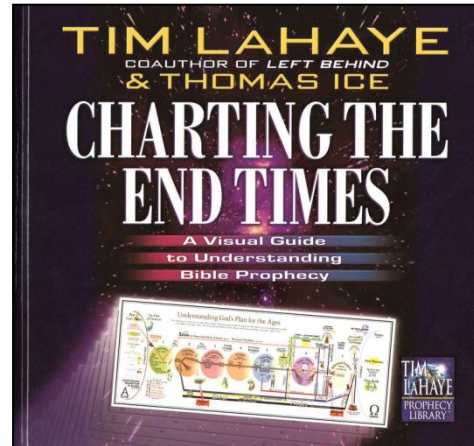


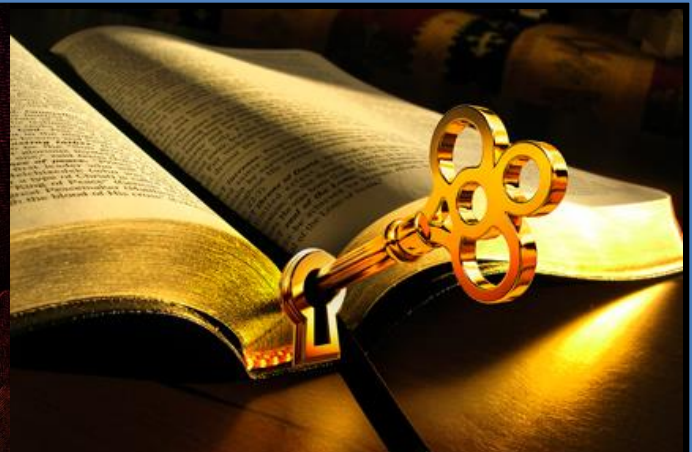
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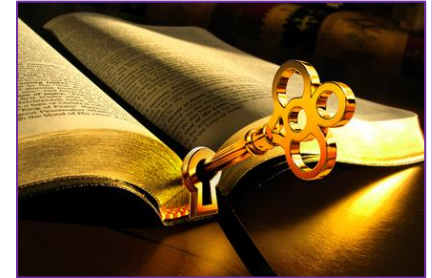
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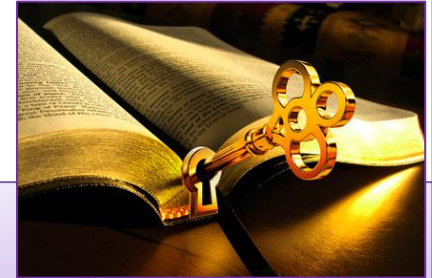
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Chapter Preview - INTRODUCTION

- **Preview**

The seven trumpets begin to sound and terrible calamities follow. These judgments are so severe that the global blaze they ignite nearly destroys the whole planet. The whole world is at war and all life is in danger of extinction.



WITH THE SEVENTH SEAL ON GOD'S JUDGMENT SCROLL FINALLY BROKEN, THE TRIBULATION CONTINUES TO UNFOLD. THE FIRST FOUR PLAGUES ARE INTRODUCED BY ANGELS BLOWING HORNS. A THIRD OF THE EARTH, SEA, RIVERS, AND HEAVENLY BODIES ARE DESTROYED.

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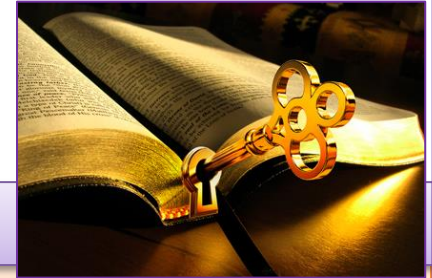
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The Seventh Seal - Revelation 8:1 - OBSERVATIONS

• Seventh Seal

- The Lamb opens the 7th Seal
- There is silence in heaven for ½ an hour
 - The calm before the storm
- Reminiscent of The Destruction of Jericho ([Joshua 6](#))
 - 7 Priests with 7 Trumpets
 - March around the city once a day for 6 days in silence
 - On the 7th day march around the city 7 times
 - Joshua would then give command
 - The Priests would blow their trumpets- one long blast
 - The people would shout
 - The wall came tumbling down
 - Rahab spared; she helped the two spies ([witnesses?](#))
 - **Who is the Commander of the Army of the Lord?**
 - Theophany or Christophany ([Joshua 5:13-15](#))
 - At Jericho, before Joshua gives the instructions

8 When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. ² And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets. ³ Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

--- Revelation 8:1-3 ... NKJV

The Seventh Seal - Revelation 8:2 - OBSERVATIONS

• 7 Angels Given 7 Trumpets

- John sees seven angels given seven trumpets
 - Text does not reveal who passed out the trumpets
- Trumpets
 - The Trumpet of God sounded when the law was given ([Exodus 19:16-19](#)).
 - Seven trumpets at Jericho ([Joshua 6:13-16](#)).
 - Don't confuse the 7th trumpet judgment with the "last trump" of [1 Corinthians 15:52](#).
 - There will be trumpets in the Millennium.
- Seven Angels
 - These angels have names in the Apocrypha

1. Uriel
2. Raphael
3. Raguel
4. Michael
5. Sarakiel,
6. Gabriel,
7. Phanuel



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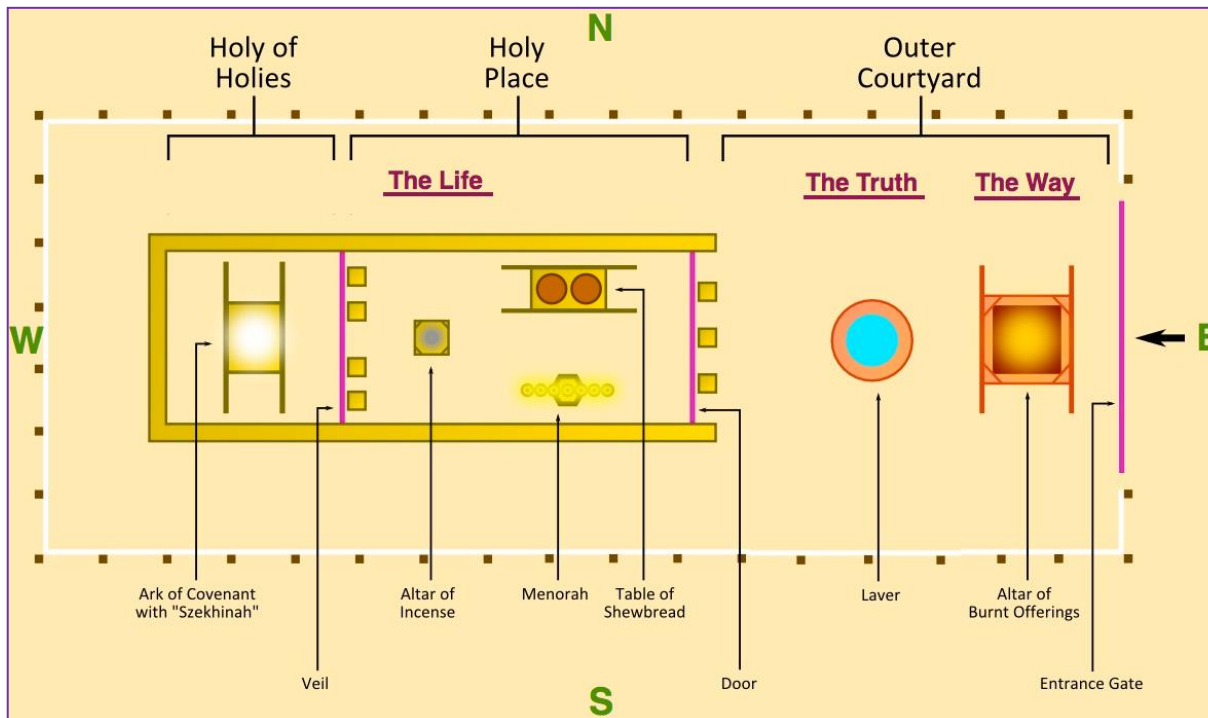
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The Seventh Seal - Revelation 8:3 - OBSERVATIONS

• Another Angel

- Another - Greek *allos*, of the same kind [Not Christ]
- This angel is not named in the text
- This angel has a golden censer and comes and stands at the altar

Tabernacle [East ... Genesis 3:24; Ezekiel 43:1-4; 44:1-3; Matthew 24:27]



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COPY OR PATTERN
Hebrews 8:1-6; 9:23-28

The Seventh Seal - Revelation 8:4 - OBSERVATIONS

• Smoke of the Incense

- Incense is mixed with the prayers or all the saints
- All your prayers are taken seriously by God
- They are a sweet smelling aroma to Him

• What is the purpose of prayer?

The purpose of prayer is not to get man's will done in heaven, but to have God's will done on earth.



⁴ And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand. ⁵ Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw *it* to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.

⁶ So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

--- Revelation 8:4-6 ... NKJV

The Seventh Seal - Revelation 8:5 - OBSERVATIONS

• Intercession to Judgment

- The prayers of the saints, include the petition from the martyrs under the altar in **6:10**...

10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" -- **Revelation 6:10 ... NKJV**

- The replay was in **6:11**...

11 Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both *the number of* their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they *were*, was completed. - **Revelation 6:11 ... NKJV**

- Now the answer begins with the blast of the judgment trumpets
- The prayers that had ascended before God are transformed and hurled back to the earth.
- The mood changes from intercession to judgment.

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--- **Revelation 8:4-6 ... NKJV**

The Seventh Seal - Revelation 8:6 - OBSERVATIONS

• Trumpet Angels Prepare

- This verse marks the transition
 - FROM: The seal judgments
 - TO: The trumpet judgments
- The seven trumpet angels prepare themselves to sound their trumpets when commanded



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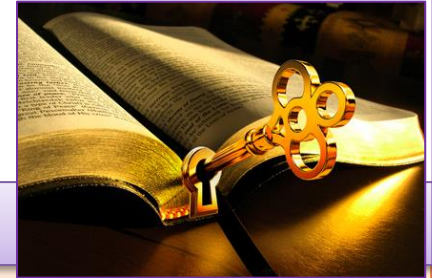
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The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:7 - OBSERVATIONS

• The First Trumpet - Vegetation Struck

- The 1st Angel sounds his trumpet in heaven
- What happens in heaven impacts the earth
- John witnesses ...
 - Hail and Fire Judgments - *Extremes cold & hot*
 - Mingled with Blood

• Hail

- Always used for judgment

Isaiah 28:2; Job 38:22,23; Joel 2:20,
Exodus 9:18-26 ... 7th plague against Egypt

• Fire Causes ...

- 1/3 of the Trees to burn up
- 100% of all Green Grass to burn up
- Not a happy day for the Environmentalists!



GOD IS STRIKING THE VEGETATION ON THE EARTH.

[2ND AND 3RD DAYS OF CREATION]

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And hail and fire followed,
mingled with blood, and
they were thrown to the
earth. And a third of the
trees were burned up,
and all green grass was
burned up.

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sounded:
And *something* like a
great mountain burning
with fire was thrown into
the sea, and a third of the
sea became blood. ⁹ And
a third of the living
creatures in the sea died,
and a third of the ships
were destroyed.

--- Revelation 8:7-9 ... NKJV

The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:8 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The Second Trumpet - The Seas Struck**
 - The 2nd Angel sounds his trumpet in heaven
 - Something like a great mountain burning with fire
 - Not a great mountain - something like
 - Possibly a meteor
 - Thrown into the Sea (*salt water*)
 - 1/3 of the sea becomes blood



GOD IS STRIKING THE SALT WATER ON THE EARTH.
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The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:9 - OBSERVATIONS

• The Second Trumpet

- The great mountain thrown into the sea causes
 - 1/3 of the living sea creatures to die
 - 1/3 of the ships are destroyed
- Notice in the Trumpet Judgments the judgments are partial - 1/3
- When we get to the Bowl Judgments the judgments will be complete - all or 100%

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The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:10 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The Third Trumpet - The Waters Struck**
 - The 3rd Angel sounds his trumpet in heaven
 - A great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch
 - Possibly a meteor
 - In scripture a star can refer to an angel
 - Strikes 1/3 of the rivers and springs of water
 - Satan - [Isaiah 14](#); [Ezekiel 28](#)
 - Will be imprisoned in *Aboussou* (bottomless pit)
 - Will lose access to heaven ... [Revelation 12:7-12](#)
 - Demons are evil spirits; they always seek embodiment
 - Destined for torment ... [Matthew 8:29](#); [25:41](#)
 - They must obey Christ ... [Mark 1:23-27](#); [5:1-15](#); [1 John 4:4](#)

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--- Revelation 8:10-11 ... NKJV

GOD IS STRIKING THE FRESH WATER ON THE EARTH.
[2ND AND 5TH DAYS OF CREATION]

The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:11 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Wormwood**

- The star has a name - **Wormwood**
 - Greek: *absinthe* ... *Undrinkable without harm*.
 - OT: Synonymous with sorrow, calamity; hemlock, bitterness
- The effect of the striking of the waters
 - 1/3 of the waters become wormwood - bitter
 - Many men die because the water is bitter - poisonous

Jeremiah 9:15; 23:15; Lamentations 3:15-19; Amos 5:7; 6:12

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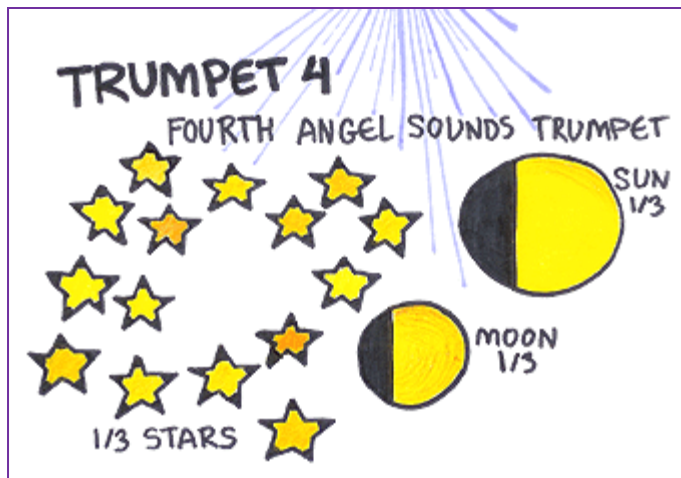
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[2ND AND 5TH DAYS OF CREATION]

The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:12 - OBSERVATIONS

• The Fourth Trumpet - The Heavens Struck

- The 4th Angel sounds his trumpet in heaven
- The light bearers of the earth are struck
 - 1/3 of the Sun darkened
 - 1/3 of the Moon darkened
 - 1/3 of the Stars darkened
- Light is reduced by 1/3 both Day and Night



GOD IS STRIKING THE LIGHTS OF THE EARTH.
[1ST AND 4TH DAYS OF CREATION]

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¹³ And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

--- Revelation 8:12-13 ... NKJV

The First Four Trumpets - Revelation 8:13 - OBSERVATIONS

• Triple Woes

- John notices an angel flying in the midst of heaven
 - Angel - Greek *aetos*, = eagle
 - Revelation 12:14; Matthew 24:28; Luke 17:37
- He hears the angel crying with a loud voice
- Woe, Woe, Woe to the inhabitants of the earth
- **Why three woes?**
 - There are three more trumpets to sound
 - These will bring judgment directly on man
 - First 4 trumpet judgments strike man's environment
 - The next 3 will strike man directly
- **In habitants of the earth (11x)**
 - Contrasted with citizens of heaven: **Philippians 3:18-21**
 - Earth-dwellers are not born again: **Revelation 13:8.**

GOD IS ABOUT TO STRIKE HUMANITY.
[6TH DAY OF CREATION]

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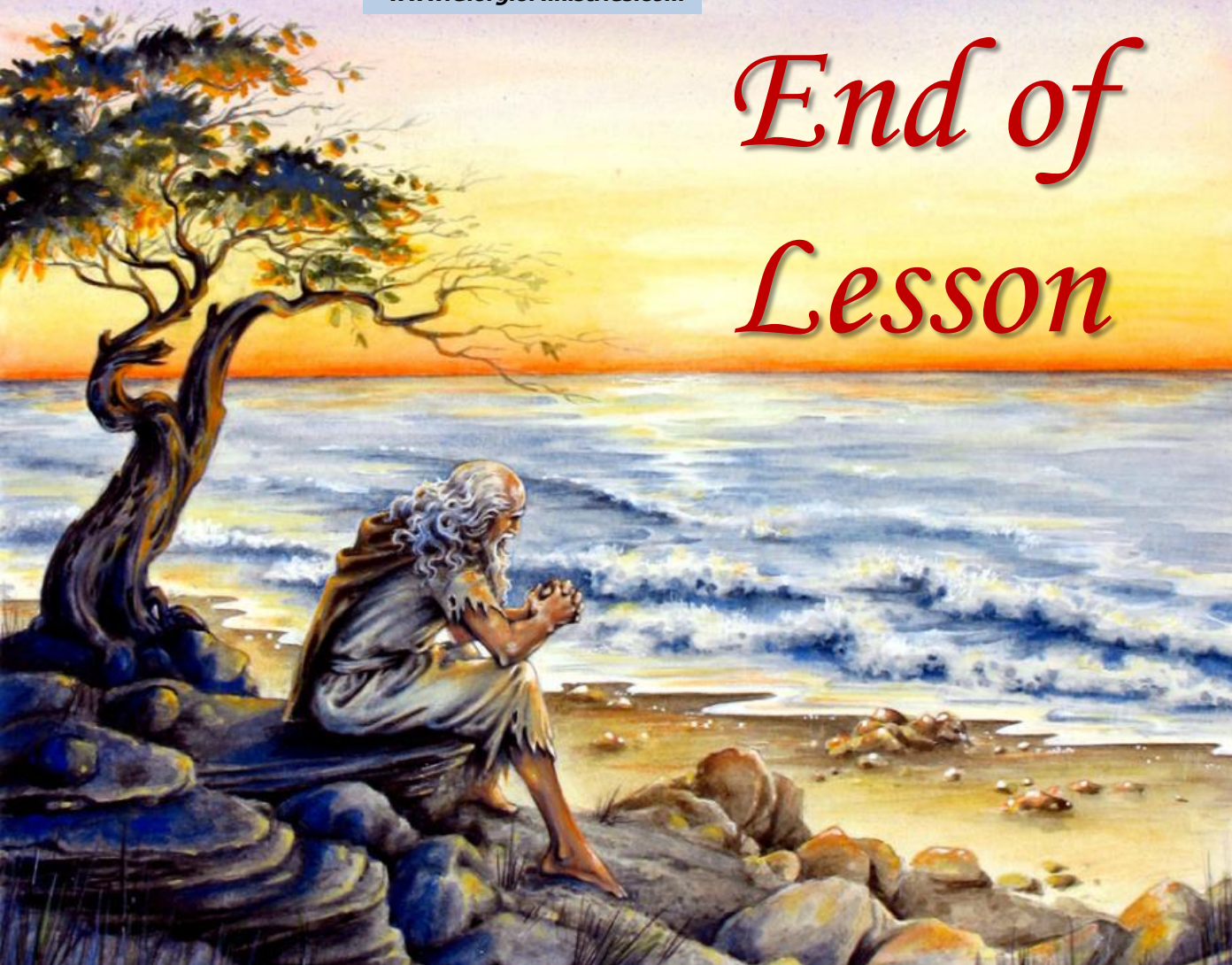


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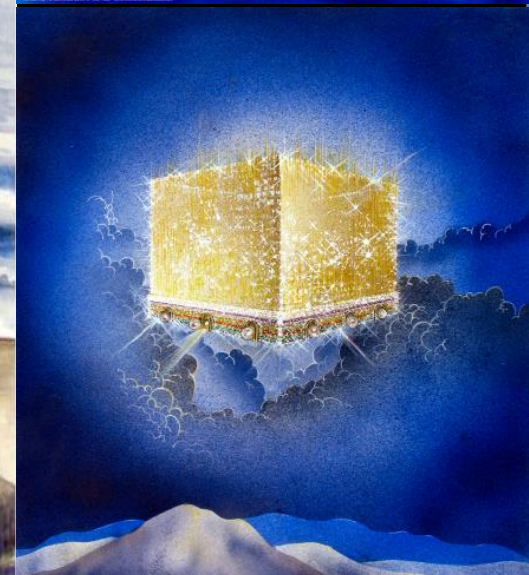
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