

## REVELATION: Lesson 93

### Chapter 8:3-9 The First Two Trumpet Judgments

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As we study these terrible judgments that are coming upon the earth, we can be comforted to know that we'll not be here to experience any of them. At the same time, we ought to be moved to sound the warning to people in our sphere of influence. If we don't tell people about the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, they will certainly enter Hell if they die, or they'll enter the Great Tribulation to suffer these judgments if they're alive when the rapture takes place.

**Vs 5** “**Voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.**” When this statement occurs, you know man is about to be punished. (See Rev 4:5, 11:19, and 16:18).

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**Vs 6** Seven angels prepare to sound seven trumpets.

FIRST 4 TRUMPETS	LAST 3 TRUMPETS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Little description is given (7 verses)</li><li>• Connected one to another</li><li>• Pertain to places, material things</li><li>• Affects the accessories of life</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Great detail is given (50 verses)</li><li>• Not connected to each other</li><li>• Pertain to persons, men</li><li>• Affect life itself</li><li>• “Woes” precede these (vs 13)</li></ul>

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**Vs 7** **The First Trumpet Judgment: Hail and fire mingled with blood...**

- Cold and darkness represent the withdrawal of God.
- Heat and Light represent the glow of God's presence.
- Hail (cold) and fire (heat) together represent the withdrawal of God, but the presence of His wrath and fury.
- God will fulfill His promise to send blood from the heavens during the Tribulation.
  - **Joel 2:28-30** “Wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.”
    - Note that these are “wonders.” They are not usual events.
- The blood from the heavens reminds men that they counted Jesus Christ's blood as a vain thing instead of trusting it to wash away their sins.

**...the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.**

- This absence of grass, grain, oats, etc. will also affect the meat industry. The animals we eat are grass eaters.
  - Men rejected the Bread of Life, the Lord Jesus Christ (John 6:35). Instead of living forever (John 6:58) they will starve for lack of bread.
    - God's judgments are more than punishments. They remind men why they are being punished so they'll admit their guilt and turn to Christ.
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## **Vs 8 The Second Trumpet Judgment:**

### **A great mountain burning with fire...**

- People who claim to believe God created everything (Genesis 1) deny that God will destroy his creation (Revelation 8-11).
- The prophets said God would destroy the high places, the mountains, the valleys (**Micah 1:2-4**), the hills, the earth, the world, and the people (**Nahum 1:5**).
- If you are saved, you need not fear these things. God is your refuge, your strength, a very present help in trouble (**Psalms 46:1-3**). You won't be on earth to experience the destruction.
- You may not understand God's purpose in His judgments, but you'd best not harden yourself against Him because He plans to remove mountains and shake the earth in His anger (**Job 9:1-6**).
- There is Historical proof that God can burn a mountain with fire (**Deuteronomy 4:11-12**). God burned Mount Horeb (Sinai) when Moses was up on the Mount (Exodus 19:18).

### **...the third part of the sea became blood...**

- There is Historical proof that God can turn water to blood (Exodus 7:19-21).
  - God put blood in your body (Gen 2:7) to sustain your life (Leviticus 17:11).
  - Seas turning to blood will be another reminder to those who rejected Christ's atoning blood.
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