

Lesson 14

The Second Angelic Explanation: The Last Trumpet Sounds

Revelation 10-11

Invite the Holy Spirit to teach and speak to you through the Word of God as you meditate on Revelation 10-11 every day this week.

As you read through the verses presented this week, look for a special verse to make your memory verse for the week. We will share our verses at the end of our discussion time.

1. What was a new or interesting thought from last week's lesson?

The trumpet judgments in Revelation 8:7-9:21 describe the unfurling of a world crisis of unparalleled dimensions culminating in hardened hearts that refuse to repent, on the one hand, and people turning to the Lord for salvation in unparalleled numbers, on the other. As John receives this revelation the cry of his heart must have been, "why are these judgments so severe and what will happen to believers? Is all of this absolutely necessary? Will believers receive direction and power during this unbelievable time? How will they be able to remain faithful?"

Revelation 10:1-11:14 is an interlude from the chronological text of Revelation and answers this cry of John's heart.

2. What will be one of the hallmarks of this time according to Jesus in Matthew 24:4-5, 11, and 24?
3. How is the angel described in Revelation 10:1?
4. Think about an open book exam. Are the contents concealed or are they available to anyone who will take the time to look into the book?

"When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me, and you will testify also, because you have been with Me from the beginning."

John 15:26-27

5. When John hears the content, does he write it down or not? Why or why not?
6. This may be the same book as Daniel 12:4-9. What happens to that book and why?
7. According to Daniel 12:10 describe two types of people as they come through the “time of the end.” See also Daniel 11:33-35.
8. What did Ezekiel do in Ezekiel 3:1-4? What do you think “digesting” the word of God means?
9. In your own experience, how can the word of God be both sweet and bitter?
10. Revelation 10:7 talks about the mystery of God being finished. The word mystery in the New Testament refers to a truth that formerly was hidden but now has been revealed. With that in mind, discuss what you think Revelation 10:7 means.
11. Consider the command in Revelation 10:11. What happens when a prophet speaks the word of God audibly according to Ezekiel 37: 1-14? Do you think he would have gotten the same results if he had simply “thought” those words?
12. Apparently the Temple of God, the Jewish temple in Jerusalem, will be rebuilt and functioning by and for God-fearing Jews by the time of Revelation 11. John is told to “measure” the Temple. What do you think “measuring” implies according to Matthew 7:2 and Amos 7:8?

13. How long is forty-two months in each of the following verses: Revelation 11:2-3; 12:6-7, 14; 13:5 and Daniel 7:27, 9:27 and 12:7? Do you think the Lord wants us to understand how long this time frame lasts? Why or why not?

14. How do the two witnesses of Revelation 11 release their judgments?

15. How are they described in Revelation 11:4? See Zechariah 4:3-14 and discuss.

16. From Revelation 11:3-6, II Kings 1:10-12, 14 and Exodus 7-12 who do these witnesses remind you of?

17. Describe what happens to the two witnesses in Revelation 11:3-14.

In Revelation 11:15 the seventh angel sounds (the trumpet). This is the final trumpet in the trumpet series.

18. This may be the last trumpet that Paul talks about in I Corinthians 15:51-58 and I Thessalonians 4:13-18? What does he say?

19. What did Jesus say in Matthew 24:29-31?

20. How do the twenty-four elders who sit before the throne of God react to the news that the kingdom of the Lord has come to reign on the earth in Revelation 11:15-17?

21. How do the nations of the earth respond to this news in Revelation 11:18?

22. What does Psalm 2:1-3 tell us about the attitude of the kings of the world toward the Lord's right to rule?

23. Revelation 11:18 depicts two very distinct destinies for two different groups of people. From this verse, what will be the destiny of "the nations who were enraged and who destroy the earth"?

24. What does Paul say about believers in I Thessalonians 5:9?

25. What will be the destiny of the Lord's prophets and the saints both small and great who fear His name?

26. What do Hebrews 8:5 and 9:24 tell us about the Tabernacle/Temple that was on the earth?

27. Read about the ark and the mercy seat in Exodus 25:10-22. What happened there?

28. Share the memory verse that you found through this week's study and why you chose it.

29. From your meditation this week on Revelation 10-11, what do you want to remember?

Lecture Notes: