

The Mighty Angel and the Seven Thunders.

1) There is the mighty angel or messenger of the great announcement.

Revelation 10:1-4 I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow *was* on his head, his face *was* like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. ² He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and *his* left *foot* on the land, ³ and cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices. ⁴ Now when the seven thunders uttered their voices, ^[a] I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, ^[b] “Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them.” (NKJ)

Luke 1:19 And the angel answered and said to him, “I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and was sent to speak to you and bring you ^[a]these glad tidings. (NKJ)

Daniel 12:7: The man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, lifted his right hand and his left hand toward heaven, and I heard him swear by him who lives forever, saying, “It will be for a time, times and half a time. ^[a] When the power of the holy people has been finally broken, all these things will be completed.” (NIV)

Deuteronomy 29:29 “The secret *things belong* to the Lord our God, but those *things which are* revealed *belong* to us and to our children forever, that *we* may do all the words of this law. (NKJ)

James 4:17 To him who knows to do good (revelation) and does not do it (responsibility) to him it is sin.

2) There is the declaration and oath of the great announcement.

Revelation 10:5-7 The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand ^[a] to heaven ⁶ and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer, ⁷ but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished, as He declared to His servants the prophets. (NKJ)

Ephesians 1:9-10 God has now revealed to us his mysterious will regarding Christ—which is to fulfill his own good plan. ¹⁰ And this is the plan: At the right time he will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth. (NLT)

Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord God does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. (NKJ)

3) There is the bitter and sweet taste of the great announcement.

Revelation 10:8-11 Then the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, “Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the earth.”⁹ So I went to the angel and said to him, “Give me the little book.” And he said to me, “Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth.”¹⁰ Then I took the little book out of the angel’s hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I had eaten it, my stomach became bitter.¹¹ And he^[a] said to me, “You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings.” (NKJ)

Ezekiel 3:17 “Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: (NKJ)

In other words, God would hold Ezekiel accountable.

Hebrews 13:17 Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you. (NKJ)