

## Book of Revelation Chapters 8 and 9

Introduction: 7 Raptures found in Scripture.

1. Enoch (Genesis 5:24) - display scripture
2. Elijah (2 Kings 2:11) - display
3. Jesus (Acts 1:9) - display
4. The church (Revelation 4:1)
5. Great multitude (Revelation 7:9)
6. 2 witnesses (Revelation 11:12)
7. 144,000 (Revelation 14:3)

### Chapter 8

8:1 Silence in Heaven.

8:3 Golden Censer represents the prayers of God's people.

8:6 God positioning His people to a place of safety.

8:7 1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet – Hail and fire mixed with blood. (Compare to Exodus 8-9)

8:8 2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet – Sea dies.

8:10 3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet – Water supply embittered.

8:12 4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – Natural light reduced by one-third.

8th letter of the Hebrew aleph-beit: Chet = life and divine grace

9<sup>th</sup> letter

Tet = serpent or evil one

## Chapter 9

These trumpets (judgments) signal the release of demonic viciousness.

9:1 5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – sounded and a star falls from heaven to earth. The star is an angel.

9:5 People will experience torture for five months.

9:7 The locusts are not weapons of human warfare but of demonic proportions.

9:13 6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – Judgment coming from four horseman to take away life. The four angels are fallen angels.

200 million horseman

Two schools of thought:

- Human army from the Orient.
- Demonic creatures.

9:20 Still did not repent.

“The same sun that melts butter, hardens clay.”