

The Revelation
The Witness
Revelation 10:11, 11:3

Now is the time for the church to arise, be filled with the Holy Spirit and live completely for the glory of Jesus fully occupied in the family business.

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth. **Acts 1:8**

Prophecy and Judgment!

Revelation 10:1 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.

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The angel of the Lord Jesus Christ – His special envoy – represents God’s covenant promises, His glory, and His judgments; Feet: Message is for the entire world
Voice: King Jesus is The Sovereign – Revelation 5:5

Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord God does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. **8** A lion has roared! Who will not fear? The Lord God has spoken! Who can but prophesy?

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7 Thunders: Psalm 29:3 The voice of the Lord *is* over the waters; the God of glory thunders...

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Announcing The End!

Revelation 10:4 Now when the seven thunders uttered their voices, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, “Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them.” **5** The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand 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.

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Seal up: not for the Church to know No more delay: soon, suddenly

Prophecy to The World!

Revelation 10:8 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 said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings."

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The Book: The Gospel Prophecy to The World - Witness

Acts 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me... and to the end of the earth."

The Temple!

Revelation 11:1 Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. **2** But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot *for* forty-two months.

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Temple: God's dwelling - 1 Cor.6:19; 1Pet.2:5 - This is the Church

Ephesians 2:21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, **22** in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

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Measuring = protection, sanctuary; Altar of incense - House of prayer for all nations

**The worshippers – Romans 12; Outer Court = The Church in the world
Holy city = New Jerusalem Rev.3:12; Trampled = persecution; 3 ½ yrs = Church age**

The Light of The World!

Revelation 11:3 And I will give *power* to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.” **4** These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth.

5 And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner.

6 These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.

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Two witnesses: The Church – prophet’s prophetic witness to Jesus Christ – 3 ½ yrs. Metaphorical as with John the Baptist coming in the spirit of Elijah; Sackcloth: repentance; Olive trees: Zech.4:1-14 Zerubbabel & Joshua rebuilding temple

‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,’ says the Lord of hosts.

Lampstands: Mt.5:14-16; Standing before God: Rom.8:31-39; Fire: Eph.6:17; Rev.19; These have power: Prophetic authority

Sufferings!

Revelation 11:7 When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them. **8** And their dead bodies *will lie* in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. **9** Then *those* from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves. **10** And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

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The beast: 1 Jn.2:18; Kill them: End of Church age, appear to be defeated (John the Baptist; Jesus crucified); Great city: ungodly world in rebellion against God; Sodom

= immorality, pride, perversion; Egypt = political oppression - JESUS died in this spiritual place to set us free! **Dead bodies: their corpse (singular)**

3 ½ days: indignity, celebration, brief time; Tormented: Consciences Eph.5:8-14

Revival - Resurrection

Revelation 11:11 Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. **12** And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them. **13** In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.

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Revival: Ezekiel 37:1-14 resuscitation of dry bones vision

Resurrection: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 the catching away of the church

1 Thessalonians 4:16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. **17** Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. **18** Therefore comfort one another with these words.

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