



# REVELATION

WHAT WAS. WHAT IS. AND WHAT IS TO COME.



**<sup>1</sup> And the fifth angel blew his trumpet, & I saw a star fallen from heaven to earth, & he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit**

**<sup>2</sup> He opened the shaft of the bottomless pit, & from the shaft rose smoke *like* the smoke of a great furnace, & the sun & the air were darkened with the smoke from the shaft.**

**<sup>3</sup> Then from the smoke came locusts on the earth, & they were given power *like* the power of scorpions of the earth.**

**<sup>4</sup> They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any green plant or any tree, but only those people who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.**

**<sup>5</sup> They were allowed to torment them for five months, but not to kill them, & their torment was *like* the torment of a scorpion when it stings someone.**

**<sup>6</sup> And in those days people will seek death & will not find it. They will long to die, but death will flee from them.**

<sup>7</sup> In appearance the locusts were *like* horses prepared for battle: on their heads were what looked *like* crowns of gold; their faces were *like* human faces,

<sup>8</sup> their hair *like* women's hair, & their teeth *like* lions' teeth;

<sup>9</sup> they had breastplates *like* breastplates of iron, & the noise of their wings was *like* the noise of many chariots with horses rushing into battle.

**10 They have tails & stings *like* scorpions, & their power to hurt people for five months is in their tails.**

**11 They have as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit. His name in Hebrew is Abaddon, & in Greek he is called Apollyon.**

**12 The first woe has passed; behold, two woes are still to come.**

- **Jesus “Keeps the Keys” (Rev 1:18)** “...*I have the keys of Death & Hades.*”
- **God's people are sealed (Rev. 7:3)** “*Do not harm...until we have sealed the servants of our God...*”
- **Bottomless Pit - Abyss - “Tartarus” (2 Peter 2:4)** “*God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell & committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment...*”
- **(Genesis 6:1-4)** Son’s of God took daughters of man – They abandoned their proper dwelling.
  - **Jesus – “We are Legion” (Luke 8:31)** “...*they begged Him not to command them to depart into the abyss.*”

# When all Hell “Breaks Loose”

- ✓ It Will Be Spiritual NOT Physical Or Environmental
  - Only for Those NOT Sealed by God
- ✓ 5 Months of Torment – Without Killing Them
  - They Would Seek Death & Will NOT Find It!
- ✓ “Like” – 13 Times In Revelation 9
  - One Of The Most Descriptive Chapters
- ✓ Locust (Devours) - “King” (The Destroyer)
  - *“locusts have no king, yet they advance together in ranks”* – Proverbs 30:27 (NOT Normal Locusts)

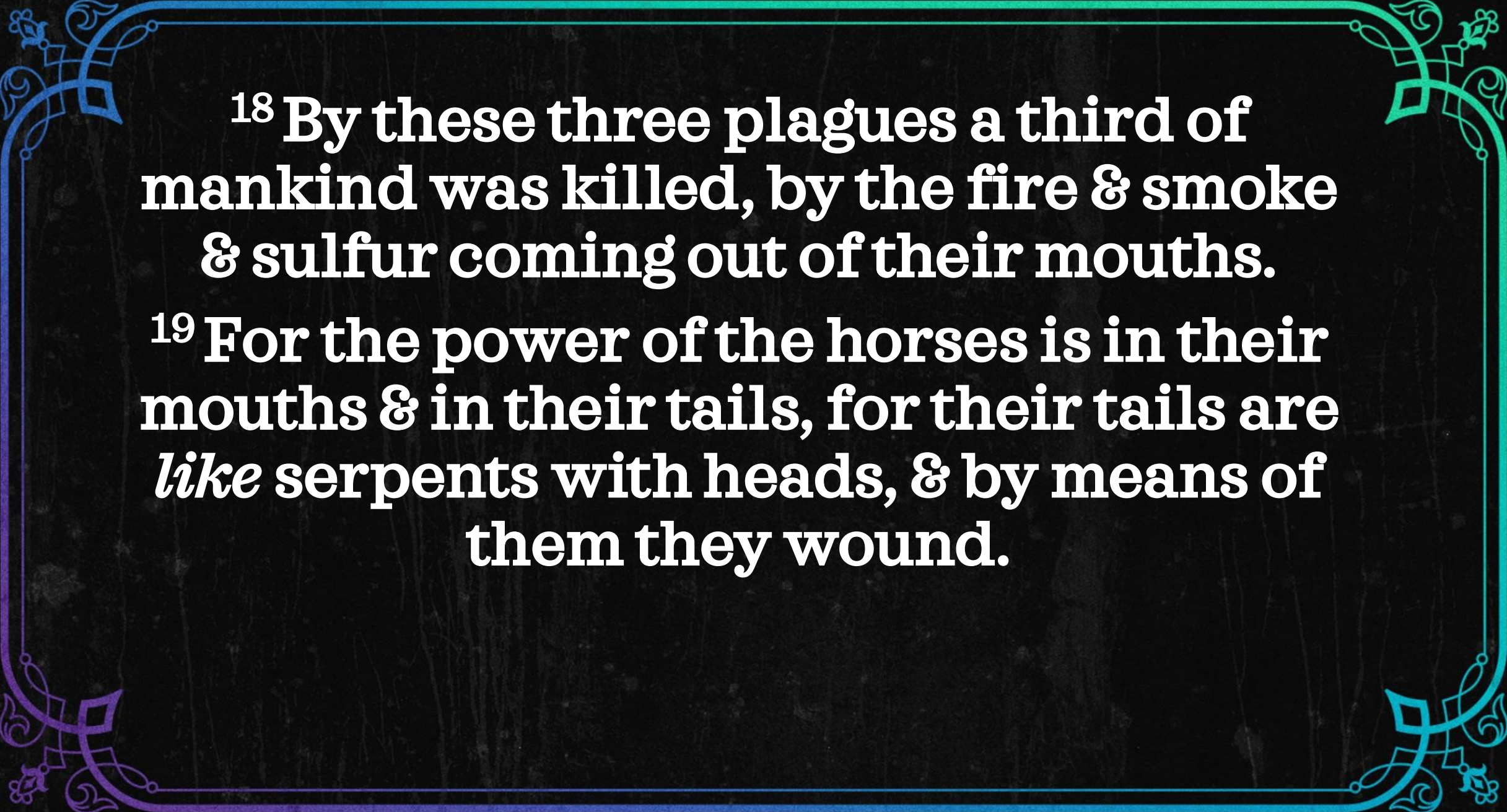
**<sup>13</sup> Then the sixth angel blew his trumpet,  
& I heard a voice from the four horns of  
the golden altar before God,**

**<sup>14</sup> saying to the sixth angel who had the  
trumpet, “Release the four angels who  
are bound at the great river Euphrates.”**

**<sup>15</sup> So the four angels, who had been  
prepared for the hour, the day, the  
month, & the year, were released to kill a  
third of mankind.**

**16 The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand; I heard their number.**

**17 And this is how I saw the horses in my vision & those who rode them: they wore breastplates the color of fire & of sapphire & of sulfur, & the heads of the horses were *like* lions' heads, & fire & smoke & sulfur came out of their mouths.**



**<sup>18</sup> By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed, by the fire & smoke & sulfur coming out of their mouths.**

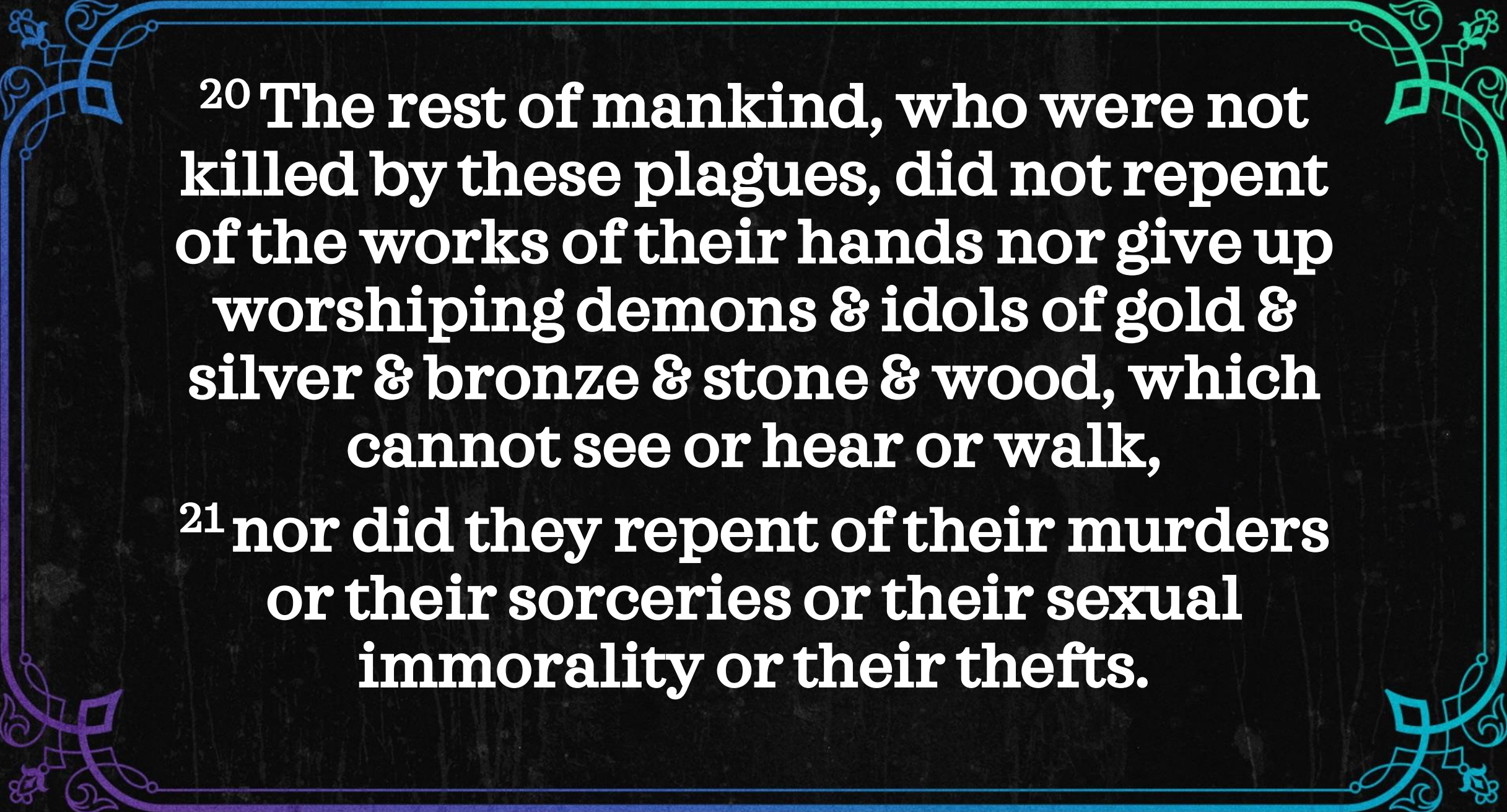
**<sup>19</sup> For the power of the horses is in their mouths & in their tails, for their tails are *like* serpents with heads, & by means of them they wound.**

# Sixth Trumpet Sounds

- ✓ **Fours Horns – Golden Altar Before God**
  - **Altar of Incense – “Mouth of God – Judgement”**
- ✓ **Release the “4 Bound Angles” (Fallen Angels)**
  - **No Heavenly Angels Are Bound**
- ✓ **At The Euphrates River**
  - **Boundary Marker – God’s People & Other Nations**
- ✓ ***“The Hour, The Day, The Month, & The Year”***
  - **Divine Timing & Divine Control**
    - ✓ **Now To Kill Not Just Torment (1/3)**

# Sixth Trumpet Sounds

- ✓ **Army Size - 200 Million Strong**
  - **After All That Has Happened So Far – Now This!**
- ✓ **Breastplates Of Red, Blue, & Yellow**
  - **Symbolizing Fire, Smoke, & Sulfur – Destruction**
- ✓ **Echoes Back To Sodom & Gomorrah – Genesis 19**
  - *The Lord rained down burning sulfur on Sodom & Gomorrah from the Lord out of the heavens. (v.24)*
  - *Abraham looked down toward Sodom & Gomorrah... & he saw dense smoke rising from the land, like smoke from a furnace. (v.28)*



**<sup>20</sup> The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands nor give up worshiping demons & idols of gold & silver & bronze & stone & wood, which cannot see or hear or walk,**

**<sup>21</sup> nor did they repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.**

# Pause & Reflect

- ✓ **Those Who Are Left – *Still* Did NOT Repent...**
  - **Stubborn, Sinful, & Shattered People**
- ✓ **Continued To Worship Demons & Idols**
  - **After Witnessing The Worst Of The Judgement So Far...**
    - **Still Sin – Still Unrepentant - Still Selfish**
- ✓ **Did Not Repent From:**
  - ✓ **Murders, Sorceries, Sexual Immorality, or Thefts**
  - ✓ **No Repentance, No Remorse, No Regard**

**Revelation 9 - Not Simply About Future  
Events, But About Present Decisions.**

**Every Day We Are Becoming Either More  
Responsive Or More Resistant To God's Voice.**

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**The Question Is Not:**

**"What Will Happen In The End?"**

**The Question Is:**

**"How Am I Responding To Jesus Today?"**



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