

**Small Group Study –
The Seven Trumpets (Revelation 8–9; 11:15-19)**

1. Have the text in front of you during the study. Read the portions that will help everyone understand the text. Consider reading at a minimum reading Revelation 8:1-5 and 11:15-19.
2. Icebreaker - When have you experienced something in life that made you suddenly aware of how fragile things really are?
3. Why does Revelation 8 begin with silence in heaven before the trumpets sound? What does that silence teach us about God's character?
4. What does it mean that only "a third" is affected? How does that detail shape the way we understand judgment?
5. Why do you think the progression moves from external disruption to internal and societal collapse? What might that be exposing?
6. Revelation 9:20–21 says, "They did not repent." The text lists idols like gold, control, and autonomy. Which of those identity markers feel most culturally relevant today? Which feel personally relevant to you?

7. When something in your life “cracks,” what is your instinctive response? Control? Withdrawal? Anger? Performance? What does that instinct reveal about where you find identity?

8. The sermon emphasized that the trumpets are merciful warnings, not final wrath. How does seeing suffering as a “warning” instead of random chaos change the way you might walk through hardship?

9. The final image in Revelation 11 shows the Temple opened and the Ark revealed—God’s covenant secure. What would it look like this week to “go to Him” instead of clinging to your constructed identity? Be specific.

10. Pray Together