

## Revelation – The Return Witnesses (Revelation 10-11)

There will be three rounds of God's judgment during the Tribulation – the seven seals, the seven trumpets, and the seven bowls of wrath.

### The mighty angel

The angel has the appearance of one coming from God's presence with God's message spoken with God's authority.

- Revelation 10:1: another = angel of a different kind
- We do not know all of the mysteries of the end times.
  - Revelation 10:3-4 Seal it up and don't write it down.
- The angel announced that God's Mystery, the end of time, has come!
  - Revelation 10:6-7
  - Daniel 12
  - Ephesians 1:9-10
- The mystery of the ages will become reality as the time of waiting will come to an end.>> Time is up

### The little scroll

The angel held a little scroll.

- Revelation 10:8-9
- Daniel 12:4 This scroll may contain what Daniel was told not to share.
- The scroll contains God's remaining plan for the end of time.
  - Revelation 10:11
- John was instructed to eat the little scroll as Ezekiel had done.
  - Ezekiel 3:1-3
- God's Word is food for the soul.
  - Psalm 119:103
  - Jeremiah 15:16
  - Matthew 4:4
- Eating the scroll symbolized John's consuming and digesting its contents, walking in obedience to it.
- Like John, we should consume God's Word.
- **The message of the scroll is sweet to those obedient to God and bitter for those who will face God's judgment.**

John was told to **measure God's temple, showing God's protection and ownership of His people.**

- Revelation 11:1-2 **built in 42 months (half of the 7 yr. Trib.) via God's miraculous work.**
- A new temple will be built in Jerusalem during the Tribulation.
- Jerusalem will be desecrated by non-believers during the Tribulation.

**God will raise up two powerful witnesses to prophesy God's coming judgment and to call the world to repentance.**

- The witnesses will operate in the power of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Revelation 11:4-6
  - Zechariah 4:6 **Not by might nor by power but by My Spirit says the Lord** \_\_\_\_\_
- Their ministry will be like that of Elijah and Moses.
- The Antichrist (the beast) will kill the witnesses.
- **We are *indestructible* until we have finished God's work for us.**
- **THEREFORE DON'T FEAR EX>** \_\_\_\_\_
- The Antichrist and the world will celebrate the death of the witnesses until God resurrects them for all to see.
  - Revelation 11:9-10 3.5 days laying there dead>>>
  - Revelation 11:11-12

### The seventh trumpet

The last trumpet will bring worship in heaven.

- Revelation 11:15 Halleluiah Chorus, Handel's Messiah
- Revelation 11:17 Who was and is *and no is to come because He is now here.*

**PRAYER for one person to share the gospel with and invite them to church.**

**Rev. 10: The Angel and the Little Scroll**<sup>10</sup> Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven. He was robed in a cloud, with a rainbow above his head; his face was like the sun, and his legs were like fiery pillars. <sup>2</sup> He was holding a little scroll, which lay open in his hand. He planted his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, <sup>3</sup> and he gave a loud shout like the roar of a lion. When he shouted, the voices of the seven

thunders spoke. <sup>4</sup> And when the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven say, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said and do not write it down."<sup>5</sup> Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven. <sup>6</sup> And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "**There will be no more delay!** <sup>7</sup> **But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished,** just as he announced to his servants the prophets."<sup>8</sup> Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me once more: "Go, take the scroll that lies open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land."<sup>9</sup> So I went to the angel and asked him to give me the little scroll. He said to me, "Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach sour, but 'in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey.'<sup>10</sup>" <sup>10</sup> I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour. <sup>11</sup> Then I was told, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings."

**REV 11 The Two Witnesses 1** I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, "Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, with its worshipers. <sup>2</sup> But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months. <sup>3</sup> And I will appoint my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth." <sup>4</sup> They are "the two olive trees" and the two lampstands, and "they stand before the Lord of the earth."<sup>5</sup> <sup>5</sup> If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die. <sup>6</sup> They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want.<sup>7</sup> Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the

Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them. <sup>8</sup> Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city—which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt—where also their Lord was crucified. <sup>9</sup> For three and a half days some from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial. <sup>10</sup> The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth. <sup>11</sup> But after the three and a half days the breath<sup>10</sup> of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. <sup>12</sup> Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on. <sup>13</sup> At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified **and gave glory to the God of heaven.** <sup>14</sup> The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.

**The Seventh Trumpet**<sup>15</sup> The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "**The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.**"<sup>16</sup> And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God, <sup>17</sup> saying: "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, **the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.**"<sup>18</sup> The nations were angry, and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your people who revere your name, both great and small—and for destroying those who destroy the earth."<sup>19</sup> Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a severe hailstorm.