**Lesson 17 Rev Chap 8:6-9:21**

**Revelation 8:6-13 (NASB)**
6  And the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound them.
7  The first sounded, and there came hail and fire, mixed with blood, and they were thrown to the earth; and a third of the earth was burned up, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.

**4. The First Trumpet (**[**8:6-7**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A6-7)**)**

[**8:6-7**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A6-7)**.** As **the first angel sounded his trumpet... hail and fire mixed with blood... was hurled down upon the earth,** resulting in **a third of the earth** being **burned up,** including **the trees** and **all the green grass.** This devastating judgment, like that announced by most of the trumpets, primarily affected a third of the earth.

8  The second angel sounded, and *something* like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea; and a third of the sea became blood,
9  and a third of the creatures which were in the sea and had life, died; and a third of the ships were destroyed.

**5. The Second Trumpet (**[**8:8-9**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A8-9)**)**

[**8:8-9**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A8-9)**.** As **the second... trumpet** sounded, **something like a huge mountain, all ablaze, was thrown into the sea.** The result was that **a third of the sea turned into blood,** and this caused **a third of the living creatures in the sea** to die, and also **a third of the ships were destroyed.** It is best to interpret these events literally though the description of the sea being turned into blood may be the language of appearance as in the mention of blood after the first trumpet blast. Reference to blood as a divine judgment is found in the plagues of Egypt (cf. [Ex. 7:14-22](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ex+7%3A14-22)).

Obviously the results of these judgments are literal. The sea turned to blood results in the death of a third of the sea creatures, and the blazing mountain cast into the sea results in destruction of a third of the ships. The mountain is probably best understood as being a literal large body that fell from heaven. Since the results are literal, it is reasonable to take the judgments as literal also.

10  The third angel sounded, and a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of waters.
11  The name of the star is called Wormwood; and a third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the waters, because they were made bitter.

**6. The Third Trumpet (**[**8:10-11**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A10-11)**)**

[**8:10-11**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A10-11)**.** The judgment following **the third... trumpet** was similar to that of the second. But here the mass falling from heaven to earth was **a great star, blazing like a torch.** This fell **on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water;** in other words, waters other than the oceans.

The **star** was named **Wormwood.** Wormwood is a bitter desert plant mentioned only here in the New Testament. It is mentioned seven times in the Old Testament where it represents sorrow and bitter judgment ([Deut. 29:18](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Dt+29%3A18); [Prov. 5:4](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Pr+5%3A4); [Jer. 9:15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jer+9%3A15); [23:15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jer+23%3A15); [Lam. 3:15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=La+3%3A15), [19](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=La+3%3A19); [Amos 5:7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Am+5%3A7)).

Though many have attempted to interpret the third trumpet symbolically, it seems best to consider it as a large meteor or star falling on the earth from heaven and turning the water, as indicated, into bitterness so that people who drank it **died.** The contrast found in the Cross of Christ is symbolized in the sweetening of the waters of Marah ([Ex. 15:23-25](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ex+15%3A23-25)) and the turning of bitter judgment into sweet mercy, bringing life and hope. The third trumpet is another awesome judgment resulting in great loss of life.

12  The fourth angel sounded, and a third of the sun and a third of the moon and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way.

**7. The Fourth Trumpet (**[**8:12**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A12)**)**

[**8:12**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A12)**.** At the sound of **the fourth... trumpet** the light of the sky was reduced by one third. Without **a third of the sun** a third of the day was lacking normal light, and a third of the night was without light from **the moon** and **the stars.** Again the best interpretation is literal. Just as the first three trumpets dealt with a third of the earth, so the fourth trumpet dealt with a third of the heavens.

13  Then I looked, and I heard an eagle flying in midheaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

**8. Announcement Of The Final Three Trumpets (**[**8:13**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A13)**)**

[**8:13**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A13)**.** Warning was given that the next three trumpets would be more severe and devastating than those which preceded them. The triple **woe** announced by **an eagle** warned of coming judgment. Eagles are also mentioned in [4:7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+4%3A7) and [12:14](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+12%3A14).

**Revelation 9:1-21 (NASB)**
1  Then the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star from heaven which had fallen to the earth; and the key of the bottomless pit was given to him.
2  He opened the bottomless pit, and smoke went up out of the pit, like the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by the smoke of the pit.
3  Then out of the smoke came locusts upon the earth, and power was given them, as the scorpions of the earth have power.
4  They were told not to hurt the grass of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree, but only the men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.
5  And they were not permitted to kill anyone, but to torment for five months; and their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it stings a man.
6  And in those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will long to die, and death flees from them.
7  The appearance of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle; and on their heads appeared to be crowns like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men.
8  They had hair like the hair of women, and their teeth were like *the teeth* of lions.
9  They had breastplates like breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots, of many horses rushing to battle.
10  They have tails like scorpions, and stings; and in their tails is their power to hurt men for five months.
11  They have as king over them, the angel of the abyss; his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in the Greek he has the name Apollyon.

**9. The Fifth Trumpet (**[**9:1-11**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A1-11)**)**

[**9:1-6**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A1-6)**.** The events after the sounding of **the fifth... trumpet** are given considerable explanation, implying that this is a most important step in God's progressive and increasing judgments on the earth. Because of the **he** in [verse 2](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A2) and "king" in [verse 11](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A11), the **star** that fell **to the earth** was a person rather than a fragment of a star (cf. [Isa. 14:12-17](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Isa+14%3A12-17); [Luke 10:18](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+10%3A18)). Even in modern terminology it is customary to speak of an unusual athlete or performer as a star. This star, probably representing Satan cast out of heaven at the beginning of the Great Tribulation ([Rev. 12:9](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+12%3A9)), **was given the key to the shaft of the Abyss** ("bottomless pit," kjv). The "Abyss" (*abyssos*) is the home of demons (cf. [Luke 8:31](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+8%3A31); [Rev. 9:11](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A11); [11:7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+11%3A7); [17:8](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+17%3A8); [20:1](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+20%3A1), [3](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+20%3A3); in [Rom. 10:7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ro+10%3A7) it is translated "deep"). Satan will be confined for a thousand years in the Abyss during the reign of Christ on earth ([Rev. 20:1-3](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+20%3A1-3)).

Here the star (Satan) used his key to allow demons in the Abyss to come out and afflict the earth. Visually this event was represented as a great **smoke,** darkening the **sky** and **the sun. Out of the smoke** came creatures called **locusts** with the deadly sting of **scorpions.** While they were harmless to natural vegetation and trees, they stung **people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads.**

In [chapter 7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+7) the 144,000 of Israel were sealed, and protection from the plague was extended to all who knew the Lord in that day (cf. [Eph. 1:13-14](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Eph+1%3A13-14); [2 Tim. 2:19](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=2Ti+2%3A19)). In the Old Testament locusts were a fearful plague, for they were able to reduce the land to starvation by eating up all green vegetation ([Ex. 10:12-20](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ex+10%3A12-20); [Joel 1:4-7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Joel+1%3A4-7)). These locusts, however, did not eat vegetation, but had the power to torment people **for five months** (cf. [Rev. 9:10](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A10)). Thus they might be demons who appeared in the form of locusts. This is confirmed by the fact that they came from the Abyss, the home of demons ([Luke 8:31](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+8%3A31)). Their demonic control over people was such, however, that though the victims desired to die they could not take their own lives.

[**9:7-11**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A7-11)**.** The description of **the locusts** compared to **horses prepared for battle** is awesome: **human faces... crowns of gold... women's hair... lions' teeth,** ironlike **breastplates,** and **wings** that sounded like horse-drawn **chariots rushing into battle.**

Obviously John was describing what he saw but did not interpret each characteristic. The picture is one of Satan's awesome supernatural power and the demon world especially in relation to unbelievers.

Unlike the previous judgments which apparently were short in time this judgment extended for five months ([v. 10](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A10); cf. [v. 5](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A5)). This is important as it refutes clearly the notion that all these judgments will occur in a brief span of time immediately before the second coming of Christ.

The demons had a ruler **over them** whose **Hebrew** name **is Abaddon** and whose **Greek** name is **Apollyon.** Both words mean "destroyer." Though Satan is sometimes portrayed as an angel of light ([2 Cor. 11:14](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=2Co+11%3A14)), here Satan and his demons are seen for what they really are, destroyers of people. This judgment confirms what was already intimated in preceding judgments, that the Great Tribulation, as Christ described it, will be a time of "great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again" ([Matt. 24:21](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Mt+24%3A21)).

12  The first woe is past; behold, two woes are still coming after these things.
13  Then the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,
14  one saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates."
15  And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind.
16  The number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them.
17  And this is how I saw in the vision the horses and those who sat on them: *the riders* had breastplates *the color* of fire and of hyacinth and of brimstone; and the heads of the horses are like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths proceed fire and smoke and brimstone.
18  A third of mankind was killed by these three plagues, by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which proceeded out of their mouths.
19  For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents and have heads, and with them they do harm.
20  The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk;
21  and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.

**10. The Sixth Trumpet (**[**9:12-21**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A12-21)**)**

[**9:12**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A12)**.** The fifth trumpet described as **the first woe** is now to be followed by the two final trumpets, also called "woes" (cf. [8:13](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A13)).

[**9:13-15**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A13-15)**. The sixth... trumpet** seems to relate to the final military conflict described in [16:12-16](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+16%3A12-16) (cf. [Dan. 11:40-45](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Da+11%3A40-45)). At the sounding of the sixth trumpet John **heard a voice coming from the horns of the golden altar that is before God. The sixth angel** was then instructed to **release the four angels... bound** by the **Euphrates** River. These **four angels** are clearly demons, as holy angels are not bound. The release of these four is minutely timed at a particular **hour and day and month and year,** and they **kill a third** of the world's population.

The fourth seal ([Rev. 6:7-8](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+6%3A7-8)) resulted in a fourth of the earth's people being killed. Here a third of the remainder were put to death. These two judgments alone, disregarding all intervening judgments, would account for the death of half the earth's population. This fact is to be taken literally as it confirms the statement by Daniel ([Dan. 12:1](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Da+12%3A1)) and the words of Christ ([Matt. 24:21](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Mt+24%3A21)) that the Great Tribulation will be without precedent and would end in the death of all mankind if it were not stopped by His second coming ([Matt. 24:22](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Mt+24%3A22)).

[**9:16**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A16)**.** The loosing of the four angels (not the same as the four angels of [7:1](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+7%3A1)) resulted in releasing an army of **200 million... mounted troops.** Most interpreters do not take the number literally, though there is good evidence that all other numbers in Revelation are literal. Even if taken symbolically, this figure clearly represents an overwhelming military force. Years ago Red China claimed to have an army of 200 million (cf. *Time*, May 21, 1965, p. 35).

Some interpreters say these millions are demons, but demons are not normally marshaled as a military force. The fact that John **heard** the **number,** as obviously he could not visually count 200 million men, seems to lend credence to the concept that this is literal and predicts that an army will come from the East crossing the dried-up Euphrates River ([16:12](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+16%3A12)).

Great dams have already been placed across the Euphrates River to divert water for irrigation so that at times the riverbed is dry or partially so. A large invasion from the East and North in the end times is predicted in [Daniel 11:44](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Da+11%3A44).

[**9:17-19**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A17-19)**. The horses and** their **riders** had **breastplates** of **red, dark blue, and yellow.** The lionlike **heads of the horses** imply something other than natural horses. Furthermore, John declared, **out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and sulfur.** Some have taken this as a picture of modern warfare including the use of armed vehicles such as tanks. Whether symbolic or literal, the passage certainly implies terrible destruction and an awesome invading force. The results are twice stated and include the death of **a third of mankind** ([vv. 15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A15), [18](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A18)).

[**9:20-21**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A20-21)**.** Though the judgment was devastating and obviously from God, it did not bring men to repentance, and they continued to worship **demons** and their representation in **idols** and kept on murdering and participating in the occult (**magic arts,** *pharmakeiōn*, from which is derived "pharmacies"; cf. [Gal. 5:20](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Gal+5%3A20); [Rev. 18:23](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+18%3A23); [21:8](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+21%3A8); [22:15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+22%3A15)), **their sexual immorality,** and thievery.

The trumpet judgments clearly grew in a crescendo, becoming worse and more devastating. In spite of the clear evidence of God's power to judge the world, no evidence was given John that there would be any change of heart on the part of the great mass of humanity. Though the sixth judgment produced fear, it did not produce repentance.

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**Open it**

1. What do you think of when you think of a "trumpet blast"?
 **A long horn tone**

2. Why do you think some people believe that everyone will go to heaven (that is, no one will be punished or sent to hell by God)?
 **They have misread the bible or have been taught wrong, and want to believe**

**Explore it**

3. What did the seven angels who stand before God prepare to do? ([8:6](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A6))
 **They prepared to sound them**

4. What happened when the first angel sounded his trumpet? ([8:7](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A7))
 **there came hail and fire, mixed with blood, and they were thrown to the earth; and a third of the earth was burned up, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.**

5. What were the trumpet blasts that John heard? ([8:7-8](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A7-8), [10](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A10), [12](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A12); [9:1](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A1), [13-15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A13-15))
 **The start signal of God wrath, one step at a time**

6. What was the result when the second angel sounded his trumpet? ([8:8-9](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A8-9))
 ***something* like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea; and a third of the sea became blood,**

7. What happened when the third angel blew his trumpet? ([8:10-11](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A10-11))
 **a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of waters. The name of the star is called Wormwood; and a third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the waters, because they were made bitter.**

8. What events followed the fourth angel’s trumpet blast? ([8:12](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A12))
 **A third of the sun and a third of the moon and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way.**

9. What did John see an eagle do? ([8:13](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+8%3A13))
 **An eagle flying in midheaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"**

10. What did John see at the sounding of the fifth trumpet? ([9:1](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A1))
 **Then the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star from heaven which had fallen to the earth; and the key of the bottomless pit was given to him.**

11. What creatures came out of the Abyss? ([9:2-3](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A2-3))
 **He opened the bottomless pit, and smoke went up out of the pit, like the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by the smoke of the pit.
3  Then out of the smoke came locusts upon the earth, and power was given them, as the scorpions of the earth have power.**

12. What special powers did the creatures from the Abyss have? ([9:4-6](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A4-6))
 **4  They were told not to hurt the grass of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree, but only the men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. 5  And they were not permitted to kill anyone, but to torment for five months; and their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it stings a man. 6  And in those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will long to die, and death flees from them.**

13. What did the creatures from the Abyss look like? ([9:7-10](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A7-10))
 **7  The appearance of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle; and on their heads appeared to be crowns like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men. 8  They had hair like the hair of women, and their teeth were like *the teeth* of lions. 9  They had breastplates like breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots, of many horses rushing to battle. 10  They have tails like scorpions, and stings; and in their tails is their power to hurt men for five months.**

14. What events transpired when the sixth angel blew his trumpet? ([9:13-19](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A13-19))
 **13  Then the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, 14  one saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." 15  And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind. 16  The number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them. 17  And this is how I saw in the vision the horses and those who sat on them: *the riders* had breastplates *the color* of fire and of hyacinth and of brimstone; and the heads of the horses are like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths proceed fire and smoke and brimstone.
18  A third of mankind was killed by these three plagues, by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which proceeded out of their mouths. 19  For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents and have heads, and with them they do harm.**

15. How were the few human survivors affected by these horrible plagues and catastrophes? ([9:20-21](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Rev+9%3A20-21))
 **The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; 21  and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.**
**Get it**

16. What significance is there to the plagues that will befall the world in the final days?
 **Each increases in what happens to man**

17. What difference does it make that we are making life more and more comfortable with better and better technology?
 **We have gotten lazy and it won’t help us**

**Apply it**

18. What changes can you make in your prayer life this week as a result of what you have studied today?
 **Study harder**

**Revelation 8:8 (NASB)**
8  The second angel sounded, and *something* like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea; and a third of the sea became blood,

**Revelation 8:9 (NASB)**
9  and a third of the creatures which were in the sea and had life, died; and a third of the ships were destroyed.

**Exodus 7:14 (NASB)**
14  Then the LORD said to Moses, "Pharaoh's heart is stubborn; he refuses to let the people go.

**Exodus 7:15 (NASB)**
15  "Go to Pharaoh in the morning as he is going out to the water, and station yourself to meet him on the bank of the Nile; and you shall take in your hand the staff that was turned into a serpent.

**Exodus 7:16 (NASB)**
16  "You shall say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, sent me to you, saying, "Let My people go, that they may serve Me in the wilderness. But behold, you have not listened until now."

**Exodus 7:17 (NASB)**
17  'Thus says the LORD, "By this you shall know that I am the LORD: behold, I will strike the water that is in the Nile with the staff that is in my hand, and it will be turned to blood.

**Exodus 7:18 (NASB)**
18  "The fish that are in the Nile will die, and the Nile will become foul, and the Egyptians will find difficulty in drinking water from the Nile."'"

**Exodus 7:19 (NASB)**
19  Then the LORD said to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their rivers, over their streams, and over their pools, and over all their reservoirs of water, that they may become blood; and there will be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in *vessels of* wood and in *vessels of* stone.'"

**Exodus 7:20 (NASB)**
20  So Moses and Aaron did even as the LORD had commanded. And he lifted up the staff and struck the water that *was* in the Nile, in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants, and all the water that *was* in the Nile was turned to blood.

**Exodus 7:21 (NASB)**
21  The fish that *were* in the Nile died, and the Nile became foul, so that the Egyptians could not drink water from the Nile. And the blood was through all the land of Egypt.

**Exodus 7:22 (NASB)**
22  But the magicians of Egypt did the same with their secret arts; and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he did not listen to them, as the LORD had said.

**Deuteronomy 29:18 (NASB)**
18  so that there will not be among you a man or woman, or family or tribe, whose heart turns away today from the LORD our God, to go and serve the gods of those nations; that there will not be among you a root bearing poisonous fruit and wormwood.

**Proverbs 5:4 (NASB)**
4  But in the end she is bitter as wormwood, Sharp as a two-edged sword.

**Jeremiah 9:15 (NASB)**
15  therefore thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, "behold, I will feed them, this people, with wormwood and give them poisoned water to drink.

**Jeremiah 23:15 (NASB)**
15  "Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets, 'Behold, I am going to feed them wormwood And make them drink poisonous water, For from the prophets of Jerusalem Pollution has gone forth into all the land.'"

**Lamentations 3:15 (NASB)**
15  He has filled me with bitterness, He has made me drunk with wormwood.

**Lamentations 3:19 (NASB)**
19  Remember my affliction and my wandering, the wormwood and bitterness.

**Amos 5:7 (NASB)**
7  *For* those who turn justice into wormwood And cast righteousness down to the earth."

**Exodus 15:23 (NASB)**
23  When they came to Marah, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they were bitter; therefore it was named Marah.

**Exodus 15:24 (NASB)**
24  So the people grumbled at Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?"

**Exodus 15:25 (NASB)**
25  Then he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a tree; and he threw *it* into the waters, and the waters became sweet. There He made for them a statute and regulation, and there He tested them.

**Revelation 4:7 (NASB)**
7  The first creature *was* like a lion, and the second creature like a calf, and the third creature had a face like that of a man, and the fourth creature *was* like a flying eagle.

**Revelation 12:14 (NASB)**
14  But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she \*was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

**Revelation 9:2 (NASB)**
2  He opened the bottomless pit, and smoke went up out of the pit, like the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by the smoke of the pit.

**Revelation 9:11 (NASB)**
11  They have as king over them, the angel of the abyss; his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in the Greek he has the name Apollyon.

**Isaiah 14:12 (NASB)**
12  "How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations!

**Isaiah 14:13 (NASB)**
13  "But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north.

**Isaiah 14:14 (NASB)**
14  'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.'

**Isaiah 14:15 (NASB)**
15  "Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol, To the recesses of the pit.

**Isaiah 14:16 (NASB)**
16  "Those who see you will gaze at you, They will ponder over you, *saying,* 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms,

**Isaiah 14:17 (NASB)**
17  Who made the world like a wilderness And overthrew its cities, Who did not allow his prisoners to *go* home?'

**Luke 10:18 (NASB)**
18  And He said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning.

**Revelation 12:9 (NASB)**
9  And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

**Luke 8:31 (NASB)**
31  They were imploring Him not to command them to go away into the abyss.

**Revelation 9:11 (NASB)**
11  They have as king over them, the angel of the abyss; his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in the Greek he has the name Apollyon.

**Revelation 11:7 (NASB)**
7  When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make war with them, and overcome them and kill them.

**Revelation 17:8 (NASB)**
8  "The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction. And those who dwell on the earth, whose name has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that he was and is not and will come.

**Revelation 20:1 (NASB)**
1  Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

**Revelation 20:3 (NASB)**
3  and he threw him into the abyss, and shut *it* and sealed *it* over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.

**Romans 10:7 (NASB)**
7  or 'WHO WILL DESCEND INTO THE ABYSS?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead)."

**Revelation 20:1 (NASB)**
1  Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

**Revelation 20:2 (NASB)**
2  And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;

**Revelation 20:3 (NASB)**
3  and he threw him into the abyss, and shut *it* and sealed *it* over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.

**Revelation 7:1 (NASB)**
1  After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, so that no wind would blow on the earth or on the sea or on any tree.

**Revelation 7:2 (NASB)**
2  And I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God; and he cried out with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea,

**Revelation 7:3 (NASB)**
3  saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees until we have sealed the bond-servants of our God on their foreheads."

**Revelation 7:4 (NASB)**
4  And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

**Revelation 7:5 (NASB)**
5  from the tribe of Judah, twelve thousand *were* sealed, from the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand, from the tribe of Gad twelve thousand,

**Revelation 7:6 (NASB)**
6  from the tribe of Asher twelve thousand, from the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand, from the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand,

**Revelation 7:7 (NASB)**
7  from the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand, from the tribe of Levi twelve thousand, from the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand,

**Revelation 7:8 (NASB)**
8  from the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand, from the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand, from the tribe of Benjamin, twelve thousand *were* sealed.

**Revelation 7:9 (NASB)**
9  After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and *all* tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches *were* in their hands;

**Revelation 7:10 (NASB)**
10  and they cry out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

**Revelation 7:11 (NASB)**
11  And all the angels were standing around the throne and *around* the elders and the four living creatures; and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,

**Revelation 7:12 (NASB)**
12  saying, "Amen, blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might, *be* to our God forever and ever. Amen."

**Revelation 7:13 (NASB)**
13  Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "These who are clothed in the white robes, who are they, and where have they come from?"

**Revelation 7:14 (NASB)**
14  I said to him, "My lord, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**Revelation 7:15 (NASB)**
15  "For this reason, they are before the throne of God; and they serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will spread His tabernacle over them.

**Revelation 7:16 (NASB)**
16  "They will hunger no longer, nor thirst anymore; nor will the sun beat down on them, nor any heat;

**Revelation 7:17 (NASB)**
17  for the Lamb in the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life; and God will wipe every tear from their eyes."

**Ephesians 1:13 (NASB)**
13  In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise,

**Ephesians 1:14 (NASB)**
14  who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of *God's own* possession, to the praise of His glory.

**2 Timothy 2:19 (NASB)**
19  Nevertheless, the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness."

**Exodus 10:12 (NASB)**
12  Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up on the land of Egypt and eat every plant of the land, *even* all that the hail has left."

**Exodus 10:13 (NASB)**
13  So Moses stretched out his staff over the land of Egypt, and the LORD directed an east wind on the land all that day and all that night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.

**Exodus 10:14 (NASB)**
14  The locusts came up over all the land of Egypt and settled in all the territory of Egypt; *they were* very numerous. There had never been so *many* locusts, nor would there be so *many* again.

**Exodus 10:15 (NASB)**
15  For they covered the surface of the whole land, so that the land was darkened; and they ate every plant of the land and all the fruit of the trees that the hail had left. Thus nothing green was left on tree or plant of the field through all the land of Egypt.

**Exodus 10:16 (NASB)**
16  Then Pharaoh hurriedly called for Moses and Aaron, and he said, "I have sinned against the LORD your God and against you.

**Exodus 10:17 (NASB)**
17  "Now therefore, please forgive my sin only this once, and make supplication to the LORD your God, that He would only remove this death from me."

**Exodus 10:18 (NASB)**
18  He went out from Pharaoh and made supplication to the LORD.

**Exodus 10:19 (NASB)**
19  So the LORD shifted *the wind* to a very strong west wind which took up the locusts and drove them into the Red Sea; not one locust was left in all the territory of Egypt.

**Exodus 10:20 (NASB)**
20  But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the sons of Israel go.

**Joel 1:4 (NASB)**
4  What the gnawing locust has left, the swarming locust has eaten; And what the swarming locust has left, the creeping locust has eaten; And what the creeping locust has left, the stripping locust has eaten.

**Joel 1:5 (NASB)**
5  Awake, drunkards, and weep; And wail, all you wine drinkers, On account of the sweet wine That is cut off from your mouth.

**Joel 1:6 (NASB)**
6  For a nation has invaded my land, Mighty and without number; Its teeth are the teeth of a lion, And it has the fangs of a lioness.

**Joel 1:7 (NASB)**
7  It has made my vine a waste And my fig tree splinters. It has stripped them bare and cast *them* away; Their branches have become white.

**Revelation 9:10 (NASB)**
10  They have tails like scorpions, and stings; and in their tails is their power to hurt men for five months.

**Luke 8:31 (NASB)**
31  They were imploring Him not to command them to go away into the abyss.

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7  The appearance of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle; and on their heads appeared to be crowns like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men.

**Revelation 9:8 (NASB)**
8  They had hair like the hair of women, and their teeth were like *the teeth* of lions.

**Revelation 9:9 (NASB)**
9  They had breastplates like breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots, of many horses rushing to battle.

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**Revelation 9:5 (NASB)**
5  And they were not permitted to kill anyone, but to torment for five months; and their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it stings a man.

**2 Corinthians 11:14 (NASB)**
14  No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.

**Matthew 24:21 (NASB)**
21  "For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.

**Revelation 9:12 (NASB)**
12  The first woe is past; behold, two woes are still coming after these things.

**Revelation 8:13 (NASB)**
13  Then I looked, and I heard an eagle flying in midheaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

**Revelation 16:12 (NASB)**
12  The sixth *angel* poured out his bowl on the great river, the Euphrates; and its water was dried up, so that the way would be prepared for the kings from the east.

**Revelation 16:13 (NASB)**
13  And I saw *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs;

**Revelation 16:14 (NASB)**
14  for they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them together for the war of the great day of God, the Almighty.

**Revelation 16:15 (NASB)**
15  ("Behold, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is the one who stays awake and keeps his clothes, so that he will not walk about naked and men will not see his shame.")

**Revelation 16:16 (NASB)**
16  And they gathered them together to the place which in Hebrew is called Har-Magedon.

**Daniel 11:40 (NASB)**
40  "At the end time the king of the South will collide with him, and the king of the North will storm against him with chariots, with horsemen and with many ships; and he will enter countries, overflow *them* and pass through.

**Daniel 11:41 (NASB)**
41  "He will also enter the Beautiful Land, and many *countries* will fall; but these will be rescued out of his hand: Edom, Moab and the foremost of the sons of Ammon.

**Daniel 11:42 (NASB)**
42  "Then he will stretch out his hand against *other* countries, and the land of Egypt will not escape.

**Daniel 11:43 (NASB)**
43  "But he will gain control over the hidden treasures of gold and silver and over all the precious things of Egypt; and Libyans and Ethiopians *will follow* at his heels.

**Daniel 11:44 (NASB)**
44  "But rumors from the East and from the North will disturb him, and he will go forth with great wrath to destroy and annihilate many.

**Daniel 11:45 (NASB)**
45  "He will pitch the tents of his royal pavilion between the seas and the beautiful Holy Mountain; yet he will come to his end, and no one will help him.

**Revelation 6:7 (NASB)**
7  When the Lamb broke the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, "Come."

**Revelation 6:8 (NASB)**
8  I looked, and behold, an ashen horse; and he who sat on it had the name Death; and Hades was following with him. Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by the wild beasts of the earth.

**Daniel 12:1 (NASB)**
1  "Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands *guard* over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.

**Matthew 24:21 (NASB)**
21  "For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.

**Matthew 24:22 (NASB)**
22  "Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.

**Revelation 9:16 (NASB)**
16  The number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them.

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**Revelation 9:18 (NASB)**
18  A third of mankind was killed by these three plagues, by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which proceeded out of their mouths.

**Revelation 9:19 (NASB)**
19  For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents and have heads, and with them they do harm.

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15  And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind.

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**Revelation 9:20 (NASB)**
20  The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk;

**Revelation 9:21 (NASB)**
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**Revelation 9:21 (NASB)**
21  and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.

**Galatians 5:20 (NASB)**
20  idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,

**Revelation 18:23 (NASB)**
23  and the light of a lamp will not shine in you any longer; and the voice of the bridegroom and bride will not be heard in you any longer; for your merchants were the great men of the earth, because all the nations were deceived by your sorcery.

**Revelation 21:8 (NASB)**
8  "But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will be* in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

**Revelation 22:15 (NASB)**
15  Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying.