

¶ 1 Thessalonians 5:9 (NIV84) “For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

¶ 1 Thessalonians 1:10 (NIV84) “...wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.”

The Seventh Seal: SILENCE in HEAVEN.

¶ Revelation 8:1 (NIV84) “When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.”

¶ Revelation 4:8 (NIV84) “...Day and night they never stop saying: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.’”

The Seven Trumpets: PRAYERS are HEARD.

¶ Revelation 8:2 (NIV84) “And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.”

¶ Revelation 8:3-4 (NIV84) “Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense to offer, with the prayers of all the saints, on the golden altar before the throne. ⁴ The smoke of the incense, together with the prayers of the saints, went up before God from the angel’s hand.”

¶ Proverbs 15:29 (NIV84) “The Lord is far from the wicked but He hears the prayer of the righteous.”

¶ James 5:16b (NIV84) “...The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.”

¶ Revelation 8:5 (NIV84) “Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and hurled it on the earth; and there came peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning and an earthquake.”

¶ Romans 12:19 (NIV84) “Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: ‘It is mine to avenge; I will repay,’ says the Lord.”

¶ Revelation 8:6 (NIV84) “Then the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to sound them.”

► **1/3 of the earth and all of the green grass will burn.** (8:7)

¶ Revelation 8:7 (NIV84) The first angel sounded his trumpet, and there came hail and fire mixed with blood, and it was hurled down upon the earth. A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.”

► **1/3 of the marine life and ships will be destroyed.** (8:8-9)

¶ Revelation 8:8-9 (NIV84) “The second angel sounded his trumpet, and something like a huge mountain, all ablaze, was thrown into the sea. A third of the sea turned into blood, ⁹ a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.”

► **1/3 of the rivers and springs will be poisoned.** (8:10-11)

¶ Revelation 8:10-11 (NIV84) “The third angel sounded his trumpet, and a great star, blazing like a torch, fell from the sky on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water— ¹¹ the name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters turned bitter, and many people died from the waters that had become bitter.”

► **1/3 of the sun, moon, and stars will go dark.** (8:12)

¶ Revelation 8:12 (NIV84) “The fourth angel sounded his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them turned dark. A third of the day was without light, and also a third of the night.”

¶ Revelation 8:13 (NIV84) “As I watched, I heard an eagle that was flying in midair call out in a loud voice: ‘Woe! Woe! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the trumpet blasts about to be sounded by the other three angels!’”

Digging Deeper: In today’s message, is there a truth to believe, a sin to confess, a promise to claim, or a principle to apply? What did you learn about God, yourself, or the world? Do you have any questions that need answering?