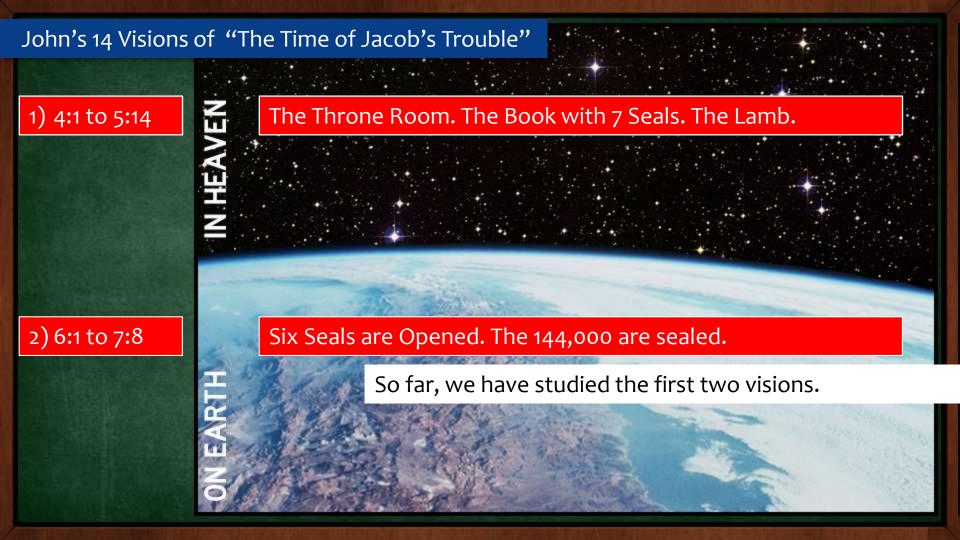
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As we read, the 144,000 are from the tribes of Israel. Now, John is shown a vision of the GENTILES who are come to salvation during the Tribulation era.



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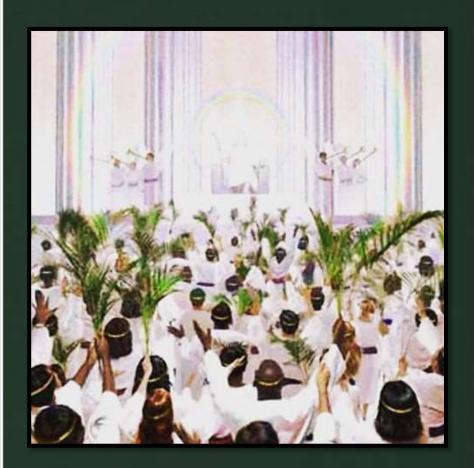
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This vision is of the great rejoicing in heaven after the resurrection of the these believers.

#### Revelation 7:9-10

- 9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;
- And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.



#### Revelation 7:11-12

- And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,
- Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.



# Revelation 7:13-14a

- And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?
- <sup>14</sup> And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest.



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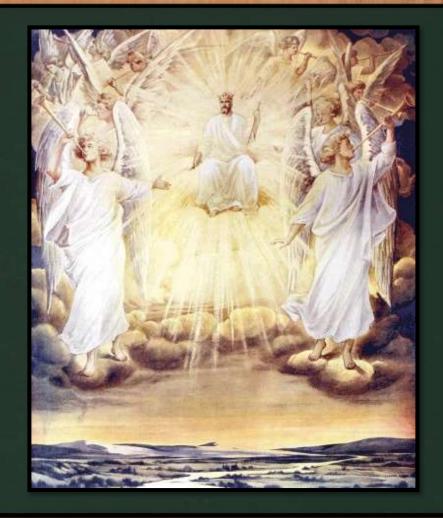
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"The redeemed Gentiles of this vision are either saints who will be martyred during the tribulation, or believers who will survive the Tribulation and enter the Millennium in their natural bodies, or both."

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#### Revelation 7:15-16

- 15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.
- They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.



# Revelation 7:17

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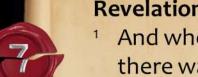
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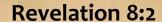
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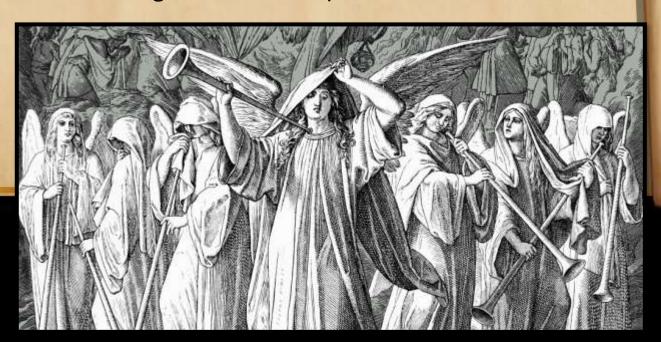


# **Revelation 8:1**

And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.



And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.



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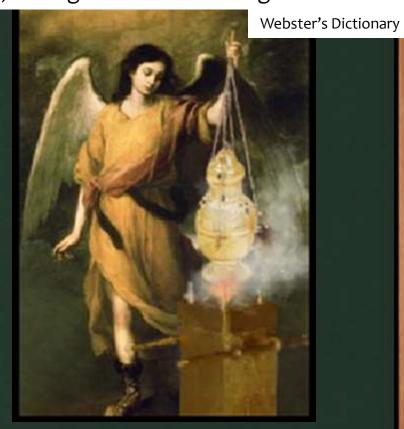
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A censer is "a covered incense burner, swung on chains in a religious ritual."

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The smoke of burning incense symbolizes prayers rising up to God.

#### **Psalm 141:2**

Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

## Revelation 8:5-6

- And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.
- <sup>6</sup> And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.







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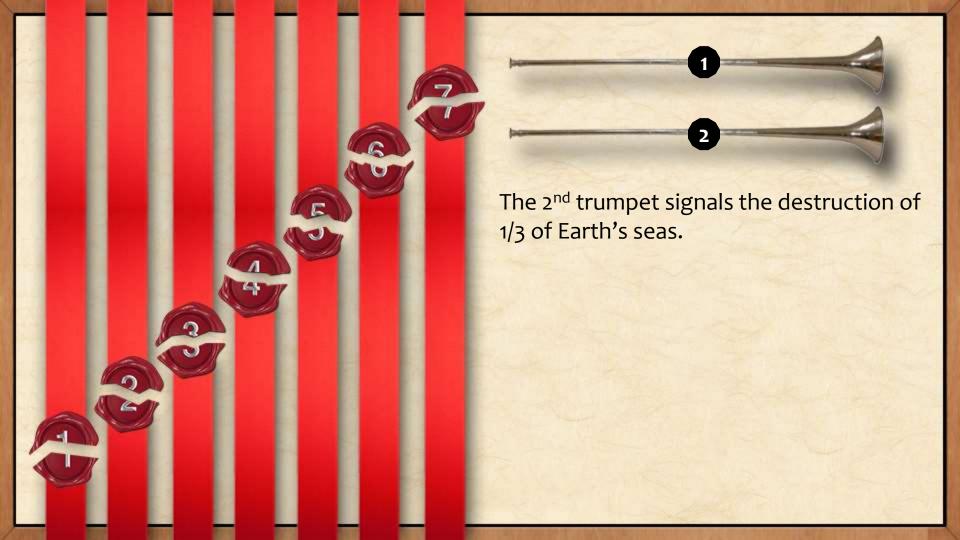
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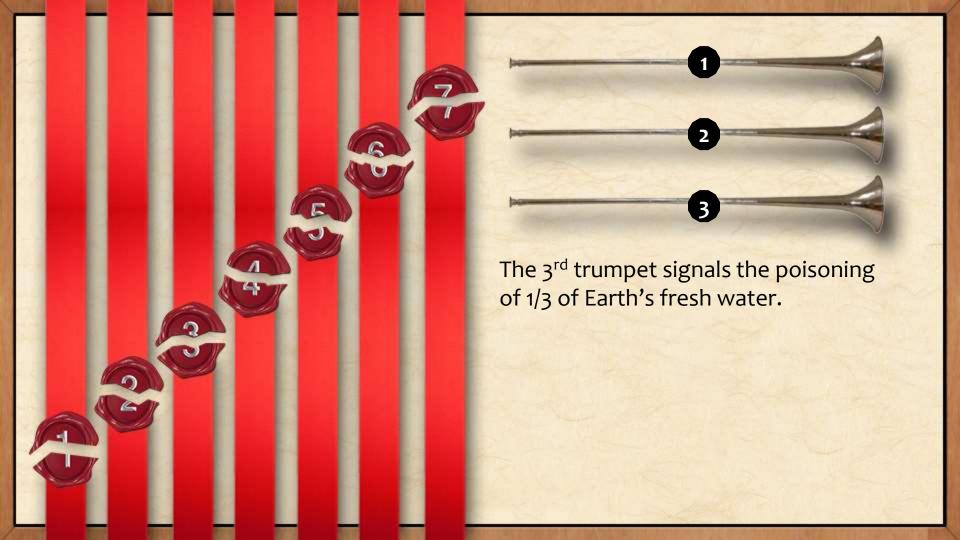
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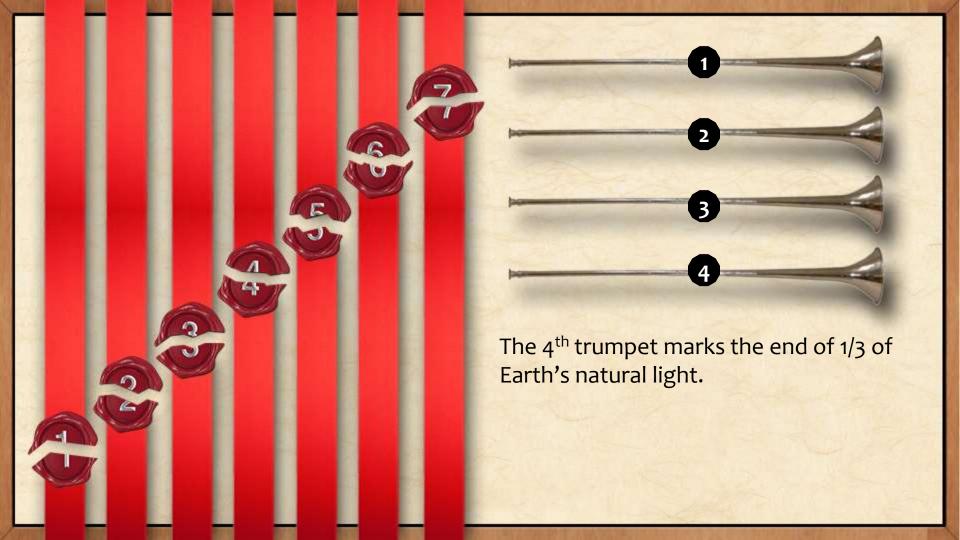
- And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;
- 9 And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.





#### Revelation 8:10-11

- <sup>10</sup> And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;
- And the name of the star is called Wormwood:
  and the third part of the waters became wormwood;
  and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.





#### Revelation 8:12

And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

Chapter 8 ends with the announcement of three terrible attacks on mankind known as the three "woes."



## **Revelation 8:13**

And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!



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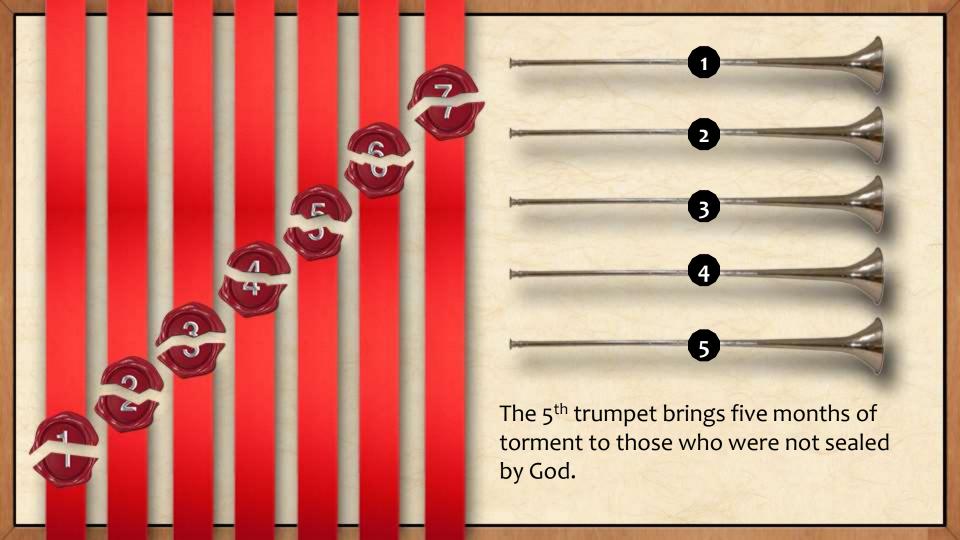
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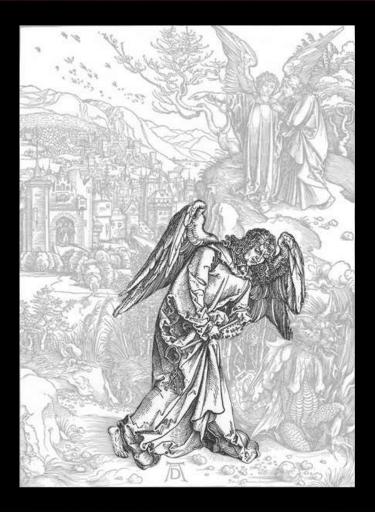
## Revelation 9:1

And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.





This fallen star is either Satan himself, or one of his angels.



### Revelation 9:2-3

- And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.
- And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth:
  - and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.



## Revelation 9:4

<sup>4</sup> And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree;

but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.





And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

#### Revelation 9:7-10

- And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.
- 8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.
- 9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.
- <sup>10</sup> And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power *was* to hurt men five months.









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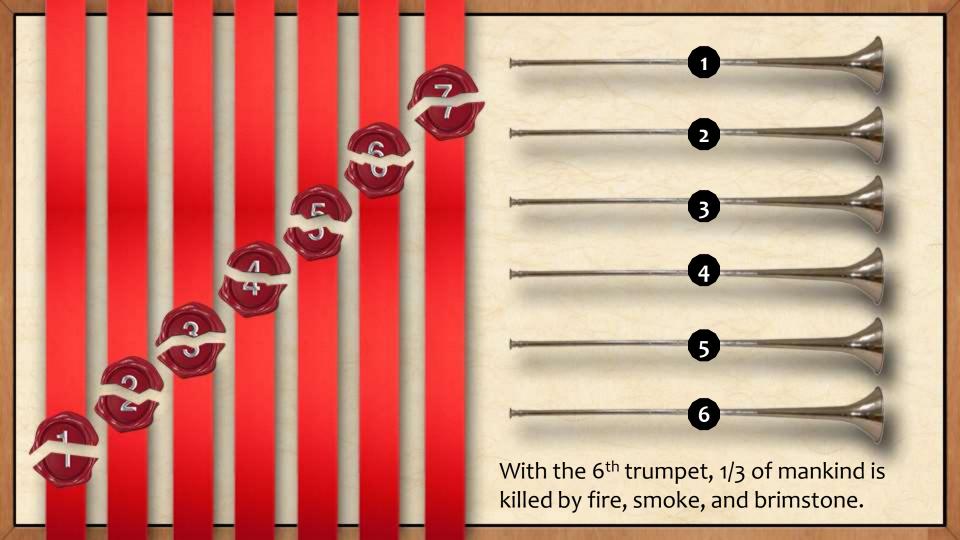
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Chapter 9: The First Two "Woes"

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9:13-21 The Second Woe.



#### Revelation 9:13-14

- <sup>13</sup> And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,
- Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet,

Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.





#### Revelation 9:15-16

- And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.
- 16 And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.



# Revelation 9:17

And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone:

and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.



#### Revelation 9:18-19

- By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.
- 19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails:
  for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.



#### Revelation 9:20-21

- <sup>20</sup> And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:
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Chapter 10: The Little Book

After all this terror comes a message of hope.

#### Revelation 10:1-3

- And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:
- And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth,
- And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.



#### Revelation 10:4

 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices,
 I was about to write:

and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me,
Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.



#### Revelation 10:5-7

<sup>5</sup> And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,

And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the sea, and the things which are therein,

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But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.



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And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth.



#### Revelation 10:9-11

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