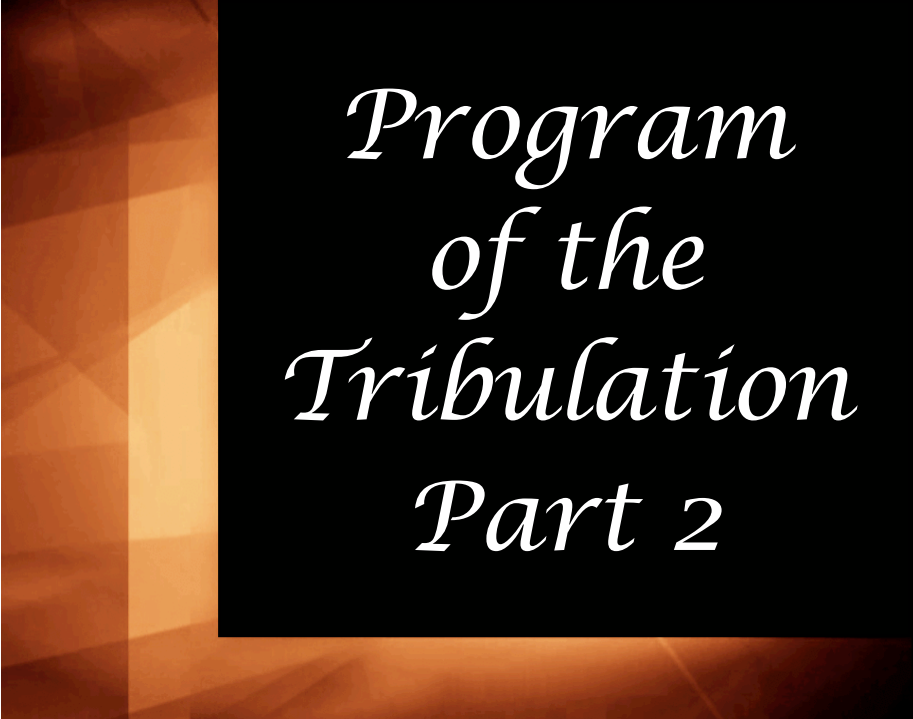


Lesson Three



Program of the Tribulation Part 2

The Seals are Opened, The Trumpets Sound, and the Vials are Poured out on the inhabitants of the Earth.

When the storehouse of God's wrath is emptied upon this earth, there will be no escape for the unbelieving nor the unrepentant. Only God's mercy and grace and desire for people to come to Him for salvation is holding back the righteous anger and judgement from being unleashed today.

Overview of Lesson Three

I. Conditions of the First Half of the Tribulation

- ▶ The temporary false peace
- ▶ Paving the way for the horrors to come

II. The Two Witnesses

- ▶ What have they witnessed?
- ▶ The results of their preaching

III. The Seal Judgments opened by Jesus Christ

IV. The War in heaven

- ▶ The Archangel Michael leads the angels who are still faithful to God
- ▶ Satan (formerly the Archangel Lucifer) leads the rebellious, fallen angels

V. The Seven Trumpet Judgments sounded by angels

VI. The Seven Vial Judgments poured out by angels

Follow Along Outline

Overview of the First Half (3.5 Years) of the Tribulation

- Peace - a false short-term peace as brokered by the _____
- Proclamation – The two _____ - *Revelation 11:3*
- Protection – The two witnesses will be _____ by God - *Revelation 11:4*
- Power – given to the witnesses by God - *Revelation 11:3 & 6*
- Persecution - The witnesses will be persecuted and eventually _____ by the Beast - *Revelation 11:7*
- Partying - As the world watches the bodies of the two witnesses lying dead in the street for 3.5 days, they will celebrate , exchanging gifts in honor of their deaths. - *Revelation 11:8-10*
- Proof – After 3.5 days, God resurrects and raptures the two witnesses, proving their authenticity, and bringing fear on those who saw them. - *Revelation 11:11-12*
- Praise – God sends an _____, destroying 10% of the city of Jerusalem, killing 7,000. The terrified survivors recognize God's authority and give Him praise. - *Revelation 11:13*

Who are these two witnesses?

- They were at Christ's _____ - *Luke 24:1-9*
- They were at Christ's _____ - *Acts 1:10*
- Probably _____ - *Malachi 4:5, Matthew 11:14*
- And _____ - *Genesis 5:24*
- Neither has ever died. - *Hebrews 9:27*
- One is a Gentile, the other a Jew.
- They will testify of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ during the first half of the Tribulation.

The Results of their Preaching

- The salvation of _____ male virgin Jews not defiled by women. - *Revelation 14:4*
- God's judgments cannot begin until these servants are _____. - *Revelation 7:3*
- They are sealed so no one can harm them during their ministry.
- The 144,000 sealed male virgin Jews will preach the Gospel of the Kingdom throughout the world, and a great multitude will be saved.
- There will be those who will not be saved - and those who cannot be saved. Those who hear, understood, and rejected the Gospel prior to the Rapture of the Church cannot be saved. God will send them a strong delusion. They will believe Satan's lie and accept the Antichrist. - *II Thessalonians 2:8-12*

The Seven Seal Judgments

	Seal	Passage	Details
1	Rider on a White Horse - Antichrist	Revelation 6:2	The false messiah takes _____ of this world, politically, militarily, economically, and religiously.
2	Rider on a Red Horse - War	Revelation 6:3	_____ align against Israel: Syria, Egypt, Iran, Russia, Afghanistan, Sudan, Pakistan, Ethiopia, Somalia, Libya, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon - <i>Daniel 11:40-45; Ezekiel 38:2,5, Psalm 83</i>
3	Rider on a Black Horse - Famine	Revelation 6:5	Farmers use their time and resources for war - food becomes scarce. Starvation kills millions.
4	Rider on a Pale Horse - Death	Revelation 6:7	Death and Hell comes to earth. One Fourth of the world's human population is taken to the grave.
5	Martyrdom	Revelation 6:9	Many who come to Christ through the two witnesses and the 144,000 will be murdered for their faith.
6	Signs in the heavens, earthquakes	Revelation 6:12-17	The sun becomes black. The moon becomes as blood. Stars fall to earth. Every _____ and island is moved.
7	Silence, Trumpets	Revelation 8:1	_____ in Heaven for about a half hour. Trumpet Judgments begin.

The War In Heaven

- At the end of the first half of the Tribulation, at the 3.5 year mark, _____ and his angels go to war with Satan and his angels. - *Revelation 12:7-9*

The origin of angels

Angels are created beings.

Colossians 1:16; Genesis 1, Job 38:4, 7.

God created heaven. then angels, and then the earth.

Angels are not mentioned in the Genesis creation account because they were already there. Until at least the 7th day, all angels were good, none had fallen yet. Lucifer, the most prominent of all the cherubim of God, was in heaven praising God for His creation.

Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28

Then Lucifer rebelled against God and tried to usurp His authority and showed up sometime between Genesis 1:31 and 3:1.

At the mid-point of the Tribulation he will lead a mighty army of evil angels, 1/3 of all the angels ever created.

Revelation 12:9

- Michael and his good angels _____ and throw Satan and his evil angels (demons) out of the heavens. - Revelation 12:7-9
- They were cast out of the third heaven into the first or second heaven, where Satan dispatches his evil angels, against whom we battle - Ephesians 6:12.

The Seven Trumpet Judgments

- Jesus Christ opened the seal judgments.
- Angels blow the trumpet judgments.

	Trumpets	Passage	Details
1	1/3 of the Earth burned	Revelation 8:7	Hail, fire mingled with blood burns 1/3 of all the trees and grass.
2	1/3 of all sea creatures die	Revelation 8:8-9	1/3 of the sea becomes _____. 1/3 of the creatures that were in the sea die. 1/3 of the ships are destroyed.
3	Stars fall; 1/3 of water turns bitter	Revelation 8:10-11	1/3 of the rivers and fountains of waters become wormwood, (bitter, poison) and many die.
4	1/3 Sun, Moon, & stars darkened	Revelation 8:12	1/3 of the sun is smitten, 1/3 of the moon and 1/3 of the stars were _____. 1/3 of the day is gone.
5	Woes, Abaddon, Locusts	Revelation 8:13 - 9:11	Woes pronounced against man. Fallen angels, like locust, are released from the _____ pit to torment men for months, under their king, Abaddon or Apollyon.
6	1/3 of people killed by horsemen	Revelation 9:13-16	200 million evil angels as horsemen will kill 1/3 of humans. <i>Half the world is dead by the mid-point of the Tribulation - 3 billion people.</i>
7	Wrath / Reward	Revelation 11:15	A vision of the future yet to come. <i>"The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He shall reign forever and ever."</i>

The Seven Vial Judgments

	Vials	Passage	Details
1	Plague of terrible sores	Revelation 16:2	Grievous sores come upon everyone who has denied Jesus Christ, who did not receive Him, who rejected Him so that they received the _____ of the beast, 666, and believed the lie of the Antichrist.
2	Sea turns to blood, All sea life dies	Revelation 16:3	All of the seas become _____. Every living creature in the seas dies.
3	Rivers to blood, all water life dies	Revelation 16:4	The remaining water in the rivers, lakes, and streams turn to blood. Every creature in water dies.
4	The Sun scorches the Earth	Revelation 16:8-9	Men are scorched with great heat, and still _____ God and refuse to repent of their sins.
5	Beast's kingdom is darkened	Revelation 16:10-11	Every area of land claimed by the Beast is covered in darkness. Men gnaw their tongues from pain.
6	The Euphrates River runs dry	Revelation 16:12-16	It dries that so China, India, and other eastern nations make their way to battle Jerusalem in the Campaign of _____. - <i>Zechariah 14</i>
7	"It is Finished"	Revelation 16:17-21	Storms and the largest earthquake ever. Babylon is destroyed.

CONCLUSION

The Judgments

	Seals <i>Revelation 5-6</i>	Trumpets <i>Revelation 8-9</i>	Vials <i>Revelation 16</i>
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3	Rider on a Black Horse - Famine	Stars fall; 1/3 of water turns bitter	Rivers to blood, all water life dies
4	Rider on a Pale Horse - Death	1/3 Sun, Moon, & stars darkened	The Sun scorches the Earth
5	Martyrdom	Woes, Abaddon, Locusts	Beast's kingdom is darkened
6	Signs in the sky, earthquakes, nature	1/3 of people killed by horsemen	The Euphrates River runs dry
7	Silence, Trumpets begin	Wrath / Reward	"It is Finished"

Think About This!

1. Describe 2 of the characteristics of the first half of the Tribulation.
2. Describe the ministry of the two witnesses during the Tribulation period.
3. Describe 1 of the 7 Seal Judgements.
4. Describe 1 of the 7 Trumpet Judgements.
5. Describe 1 of the 7 Vial Judgements.