



*The Trumpets
of Judgment*

**Revelation
8:1-13**

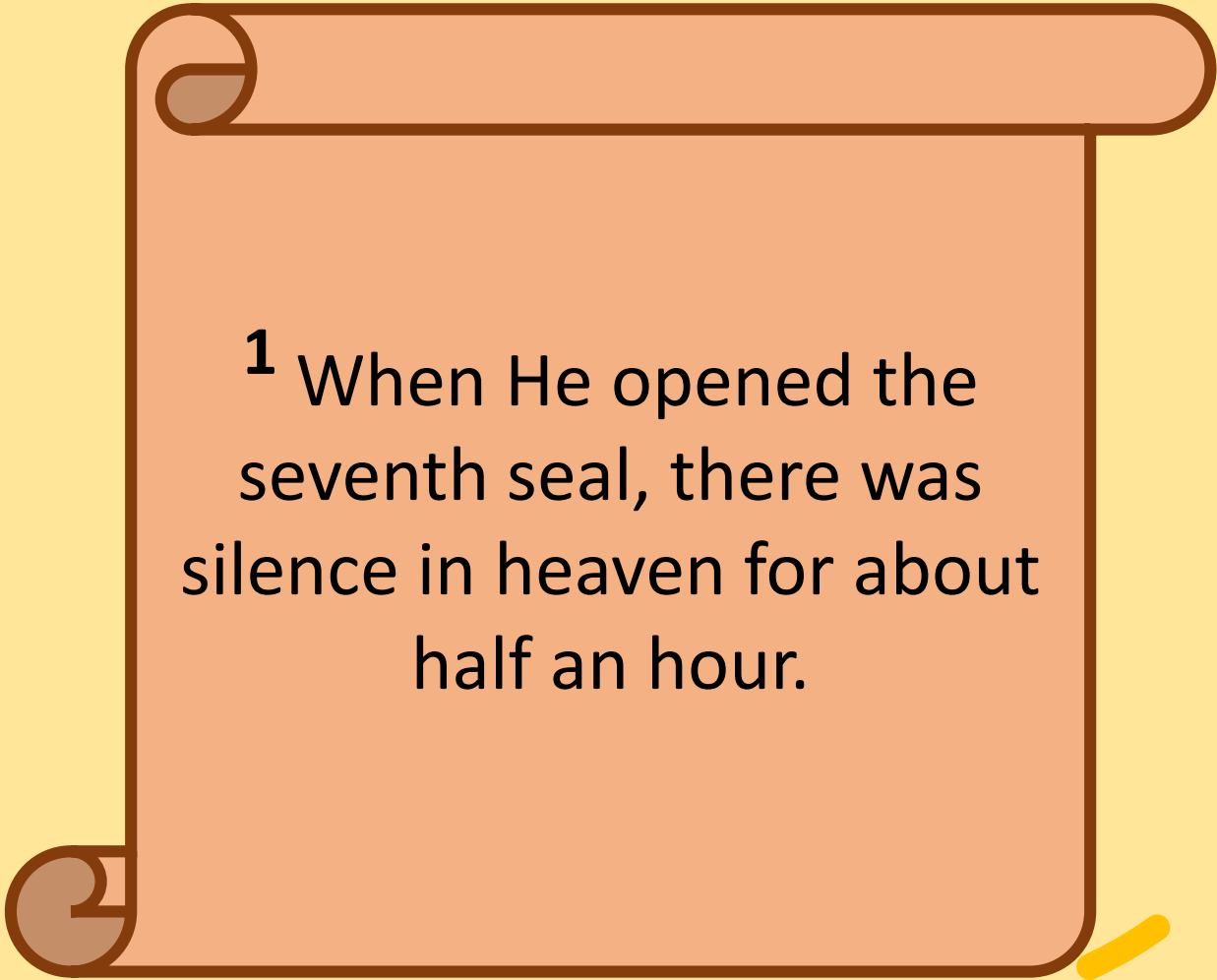
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***Revelation
8:1***



A Pregnant Pause



¹ When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.



A Pregnant Pause

- ❑ H. Alford sees pause as Sabbatical rest for the millennium
- ❑ Walter Scott sees brief cessation of Judgments
- ❑ H. B. Swetē sees a temporary suspension of heavenly revelations imposed on John
- ❑ R. H. Charles links pause to text that follows, which focuses on prayer
- ❑ John Walvoord sees dramatic pause

***Incense—
Double-edged
Sword***

Revelation 8:2-5

² And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.

³ Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. ⁴ And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand.

⁵ Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw *it* to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.

***Incense
Double-edged
Sword***

- From golden altar before the throne
- Prayers of Saints
- Nothing ever lost— All comes before God
- Prayers hurled at earth

Devastating Storms

Revelation 8:6-7

6 So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

7 The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

The Trumpet is Salpigx
(Greek)



Revelation 8:8-9 Mountain Ablaze

- ⁸ Then 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 living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

The Waters Struck

*Revelation
8:10-11*

¹⁰ Then 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 water.

¹¹ The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.

A Star Called Wormwood

Greek → ἄψινθος → Apsinthos

- An extraordinarily bitter herb
- A tea drink by Bedouin of Sinai to cure intestinal worms
- Also causes hallucinations
- Possibly an indication of radioactive effect of atomic explosion
- Pavlodar and Semipalatinsk – 40 times more poisoned than Hiroshima

N Kazakhstan



Word used in Old Testament

Jeremiah 9:15

15 therefore thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: “Behold, I will feed them, this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.

Jeremiah 23:15

15 “Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets: ‘Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, And make them drink the water of gall; For from the prophets of Jerusalem Profaneness has gone out into all the land.’ ”

Word used in Old Testament

**Lamentations
3:15**

¹⁵ He has filled me with
bitterness,
He has made me drink
wormwood.

Ezekiel 47:8

⁸ Then he said to me: “This water
flows toward the eastern region,
goes down into the valley, and
enters the sea. *When it reaches
the sea, its waters are healed.*”

Fourth Trumpet The Heavens Struck

*Revelation
8:12*

¹² Then the fourth angel sounded:
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
were darkened. A third of the
day did not shine, and likewise
the night.

*Affecting the Sun, Moon
and the Stars*



Revelation 8:13

13 And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, “Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!”

*Flight
of the Eagle
Anticipating
"Woe"*

□ Eagle or Angel
↓ Greek ↓
aetou *angelos*

□ Woe Greek ouai

□ Liddel and Scott –
"exclamation of pain and anger"