

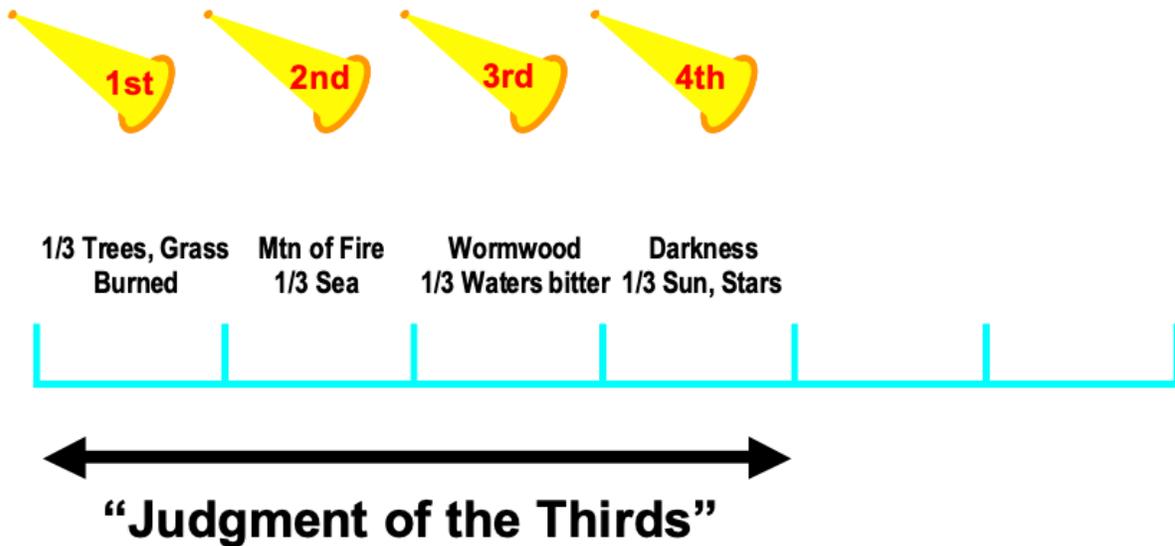
ENDGAME

A Study On Revelation (Week #44)

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

Revelation 8:13 Then I looked, and I heard a single eagle crying loudly as it flew through the air, "Terror, terror, terror to all who belong to this world because of what will happen when the last three angels blow their trumpets." (NLT)



Revelation 9:1 Then the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star from heaven which had fallen to the earth; and the key to the shaft of the abyss was given to him. **2** He opened the shaft of the abyss, and smoke ascended out of the shaft like the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened from the smoke of the shaft. **3** Then out of the smoke came locusts upon the earth, and power was given them, as the scorpions of the earth have power. (NASB)

Revelation 9:1 Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the [shaft of the abyss] bottomless pit. **2** And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. **3** Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. (NKJ)

Revelation 9:1 Then the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star that had fallen to earth from the sky, and he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit. [the abyss, or the underworld] **2** When he opened it, smoke poured out as though from a huge furnace, and the sunlight and air turned dark from the smoke. **3** Then locusts came from the smoke and descended on the earth, and they were given power to sting like scorpions. (NLT)

The _____ Armies: Army #1

- Location: "Bottomless Pit"
 - **Abyss:** ἄβυσσος; (Greek - abussos [ab'-us-sos]); the abyss, unfathomable depth, an especially Jewish conception, the home of the dead and of evil spirits.
 - ▶ 9 times in New Testament
 - ▶ 30 times in Old Testament
 - ▶ 7 times in Rev (9:1,2,11; 11:7; 17:8; 20:1,3)
 - Angels that sinned (Gen 6:2,4; 2 Pet 2:4; Jude 6).
 - Demons beg to avoid abouso (Lk 8:31).
 - After "many days," the abouso will be visited (Isa 24:21,22).
 - Satan will be imprisoned there in Rev 20:10.
- Surroundings: "Smoke"
 - Sodom and Gomorrah (Gen 19:28)
 - Giving of the Law (Ex 19:18)
 - Causes sunlight and air to turn dark.

Luke 8:30 Jesus demanded, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, for he was filled with many demons. **31** The demons kept begging Jesus not to send them into the bottomless pit. (NLT)

2 Peter 2:4 For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into [Tartarus; the netherworld] hell and committed them to [chains of darkness] pits of darkness, held for judgment; (NASB)

Jude 1:6 And angels who did not keep their own domain but abandoned their proper dwelling place, these He has kept in eternal restraints under darkness for the judgment of the great day, (NASB)

Genesis 6:1 Now it came about, when mankind began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were born to them, **2** that the sons of God saw that the daughters of mankind were [good] beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose... **4** The [fallen ones; giants] Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of

mankind, and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown. (NASB)

Nephilim: נְפִילִים; (Hebrew - Nephilim [nef-eel']); "giants", name of two peoples, one before the flood and one after the flood; originates from the word "naphal."

To Fall; Lie: נָפַל; (Hebrew - naphal [naw-fal']); to fall, lie; fall by accident; Especially of violent death; figurative = go to ruin, perish; figurative = experience calamity; fall of a city; fall (lie) prostrate; desert or fall away to; fall by violence

Isaiah 24:21 So it will happen on that day, That the Lord will punish the rebellious angels of heaven on high, And the kings of the earth on earth. **22** They will be gathered together Like prisoners in the [pit] dungeon, And will be confined in prison; And after many days they will be punished. (NASB)

Revelation 9:4 They were told not to hurt the grass of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree, but only the people who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. **5** And [it was given to them] 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 [strikes] stings a person. **6** And in those days people will seek death and will not find it; they will long to die, and death [flees] will flee from them! (NASB)

Revelation 9:4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. **5** And [the locusts] they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. **6** In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them. (NKJ)

Revelation 9:4 They were told not to harm the grass or plants or trees, but only the people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads. **5** They were told not to kill them but to torture them for five months with pain like the pain of a scorpion sting. **6** In those days people will seek death but will not find it. They will long to die, but death will flee from them! (NLT)

- Permissions: _____ Power
 - Cannot hurt any grass, trees, or green things
 - ONLY people
 - ▶ People who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads
 - ▶ Cannot kill, only torment
 - ▶ Torment: βασανίζω; (Greek - basanizó [bas-an-id'-zo]); I examine, as by torture; I torment; I buffet, as of waves.

- Sealed of God. He knows who are His (2 Tim 2:19).
- Torment for five months? 150 days.
 - ▶ _____ (Gen 7:24)
- Appearance: _____
 - John identifies what comes out of the Abyss to be locusts, but these aren't your average, garden-variety bug. (Prov 30:27)
 - Normally locusts destroy plant life, but these demonic-locusts were told to "attack all the people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads".
 - Power to sting like scorpions
 - ▶ Torment (torture) like a scorpion sting
 - ▶ Isa 9:15; Joel 2:2,4; Eph 6:12
 - They stung like scorpions, so much so that people want to die.
 - People will seek death, but will be unable to find it. (Rev 6:16)
 - ▶ There is irony involved, and the irony is this: People don't want anything that they do in their personal life to be judged, but when the end comes, their eyes will be opened and they will beg for judgment. They will suddenly see that they deserve death, and they will beg for it...and it won't come.

Proverbs 30:27 Locusts—they have no king, but they march in formation. (NLT)

2 Timothy 2:19 But God's truth stands firm like a foundation stone with this inscription: "The Lord knows those who are his," and "All who belong to the Lord must turn away from evil." (NLT)

Numbers 16:4 When Moses heard what they were saying, he fell face down on the ground. **5** Then he said to Korah and his followers, "Tomorrow morning the Lord will show us who belongs to him and who is holy. The Lord will allow only those whom he selects to enter his own presence. (NLT)

Isaiah 9:15 The head is the elder and esteemed man, And the prophet who teaches falsehood is the tail. **16** For those who guide this people are leading them astray; And those who are guided by them are [swallowed up] confused. **17** Therefore the Lord does not rejoice over their young men, Nor does He have compassion on their [fatherless] orphans or their widows; For every one of them is godless and an evildoer, And every mouth is speaking foolishness. In spite of all this, His anger does not turn away, And His hand is still stretched out. **18** For wickedness burns like a fire; It consumes briars and thorns; It also sets the thickets of the forest aflame And they roll upward in a column of smoke. **19** By the wrath of the Lord of armies the land is burned, And the people are like fuel for the fire; No one spares his brother. **20** [and he slices] They devour what is on the right hand but are still hungry, And [he eats]

they eat what is on the left hand, but they are not satisfied; Each of them eats the flesh of his own arm. (NASB)

Revelation 6:15 Then everyone—the kings of the earth, the rulers, the generals, the wealthy, the powerful, and every slave and free person—all hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains. **16** And they cried to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of the one who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb. **17** For the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to survive?” (NLT)

Revelation 9:7 The [likeness] 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 human faces. **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. (NASB)

Revelation 9:7 The shape of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle. On their heads were crowns of something like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men. **8** They had hair like women’s hair, and their teeth were like lions’ teeth. **9** And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle. (NKJ)

Revelation 9:7 The locusts looked like horses prepared for battle. They had what looked like gold crowns on their heads, and their faces looked like human faces. **8** They had hair like women’s hair and teeth like the teeth of a lion. **9** They wore armor made of iron, and their wings roared like an army of chariots rushing into battle. **1** (NLT)

- Description: _____ ...
 - Horses prepared for battle
 - Crowns like gold on their heads
 - Faces like human faces
 - Hair like a woman’s hair
 - Teeth like a lion.
 - ▶ Joel 1:6
 - Like breastplates of iron
 - Wings sounding like chariots in battle
 - Even natural locusts have the appearance of horses equipped with armor: the German term is Heupferd, “hay-horse”; the Italian, cavaletta, “little horse.”
 - ▶ Even the sound of natural locusts are terrifying. But these are demonic creatures..

Joel 1:6 A vast army of locusts [a nation] has invaded my land, a terrible army too numerous to count. Its teeth are like lions' teeth, its fangs like those of a lioness. (NLT)

Revelation 9:10 They have tails like scorpions, and stings; and in their tails is their power to hurt people for five months. **11** They have as king over them, the angel of the abyss; his name in Hebrew is [destruction] Abaddon, and in the Greek he has the name [destroyer] Apollyon. **12** The first woe has passed; behold, two woes are still coming after these things. (NASB)

Revelation 9:10 They had tails like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails. Their power was to hurt men five months. **11** And they had as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is [Destruction] Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name [Destroyer] Apollyon. **12** One woe is past. Behold, still two more woes are coming after these things. (NKJ)

Revelation 9:10 They had tails that stung like scorpions, and for five months they had the power to torment people. **11** Their king is the angel from the bottomless pit; his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek, Apollyon—the Destroyer. **12** The first terror is past, but look, two more terrors are coming! (NLT)

- Tails like scorpions, which sting
 - ▶ Tails have the power to hurt (not kill)
- Duration: _____ Months
 - About 150 days
 - ▶ Same time period as the flood.
- Ruler / King: _____ Angel
 - This is another indication that these weren't ordinary bugs, but demonic locusts of a supernatural nature.
 - The intent of these locusts and their king is revealed in his name, and it's the same, whether you are Jew or Gentile destruction.
 - ▶ Abaddon (Hebrew)
 - ▶ Abaddon: 6 times in OT (Job 26:6; 28:22; 31:12; Ps 88:11; Prov 15:11; 27:30)
 - ▶ Apollyon (Greek)
 - ▶ Apollyon: "destroyer," Jn 10:10. "Prince of the Air": (Eph 2:2; Jn 14:30; Isa 14:15)
 - One of only three demons named in the Bible.
 - ▶ Abaddon / Apollyon (Rev 9)
 - ▶ Legion - (Mark 5)
 - ▶ * Molech - 1 Kings 11:7; Leviticus 18:21)

Leviticus 18:21 “Do not permit any of your children to be offered as a sacrifice to Molech, for you must not bring shame on the name of your God. I am the Lord. (NLT)

Leviticus 20:3 I will also set My face against that man and will cut him off from among his people, because he has given some of his children to Molech, so as to defile My sanctuary and to profane My holy name. (NASB)

2 Kings 23:10 He also defiled Topheth, which is in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, so that no one would make his son or his daughter pass through the fire for Molech. (NASB)

John 10:10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came so that they would have life, and have it abundantly. (NASB)

- Types of Occult Satanic Worship in the Bible
 - ▶ Divination - sacrificing animal to determine direction or the future.
 - ▶ Necromancy - trying to communicate with the dead.
 - ▶ Magic - formulas, incantations (black or white magic)
 - ▶ Sorcery - calling upon demonic power to create situations around people. Use of omens, drugs are sometimes included.
 - ▶ Witchcraft - one who makes use of magic and sorcery to accomplish the will of demons.
 - ▶ Astrology (NOT astronomy) - use of stars to predict, direct, or worship something other than God.

Amos 7:1 The Sovereign Lord showed me a vision. I saw him preparing to send a vast swarm of locusts over the land. This was after the king's share had been harvested from the fields and as the main crop was coming up. (NLT)

Amos 7:1 The Lord hath shewn me and behold a swarm of locusts were coming, and behold one of the young devastating locusts was Gog the King. (LXX)

** LXX is the Septuagint

The Septuagint (also known as the LXX) is a translation of the Hebrew Bible into the Greek language. The name Septuagint comes from the Latin word for "seventy." The tradition is that 70 (or 72) Jewish scholars were the translators behind the Septuagint. The Septuagint was translated in the third and second centuries BC in Alexandria, Egypt. As Israel was under the authority of Greece for several centuries, the Greek language became more and more common. By the second and first centuries BC, most people in Israel spoke Greek as their primary language. That is why the effort was made to translate the Hebrew Bible into Greek—so that those who did not

understand Hebrew could have the Scriptures in a language they could understand. The Septuagint represents the first major effort at translating a significant religious text from one language into another. (gotquestions.org)

(This illuminates "Gog" of Ezekiel 38 and Revelation 20:8.)

Job 18:11 "Terrors surround the wicked and trouble them at every step. **12** Hunger depletes their strength, and calamity waits for them to stumble. **13** Disease eats their skin; death devours their limbs. **14** They are torn from the security of their homes and are brought down to the king of terrors. **15** The homes of the wicked will burn down; burning sulfur rains on their houses. **16** Their roots will dry up, and their branches will wither. **17** All memory of their existence will fade from the earth; no one will remember their names. **18** They will be thrust from light into darkness, driven from the world. **19** They will have neither children nor grandchildren, nor any survivor in the place where they lived. **20** People in the west are appalled at their fate; people in the east are horrified. **21** They will say, 'This was the home of a wicked person, the place of one who rejected God.'" (NLT)

1 John 3:8 But when people keep on sinning, it shows that they belong to the devil, who has been sinning since the beginning. But the Son of God came to destroy the works of the devil. (NLT)

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not willing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance. **10** But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and [works in it] its works will be [worthless; burned up] discovered. **11** Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, **12** looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! **13** But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells. (NLT)