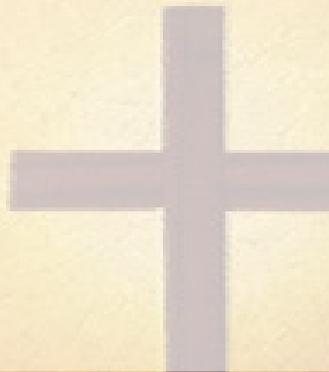
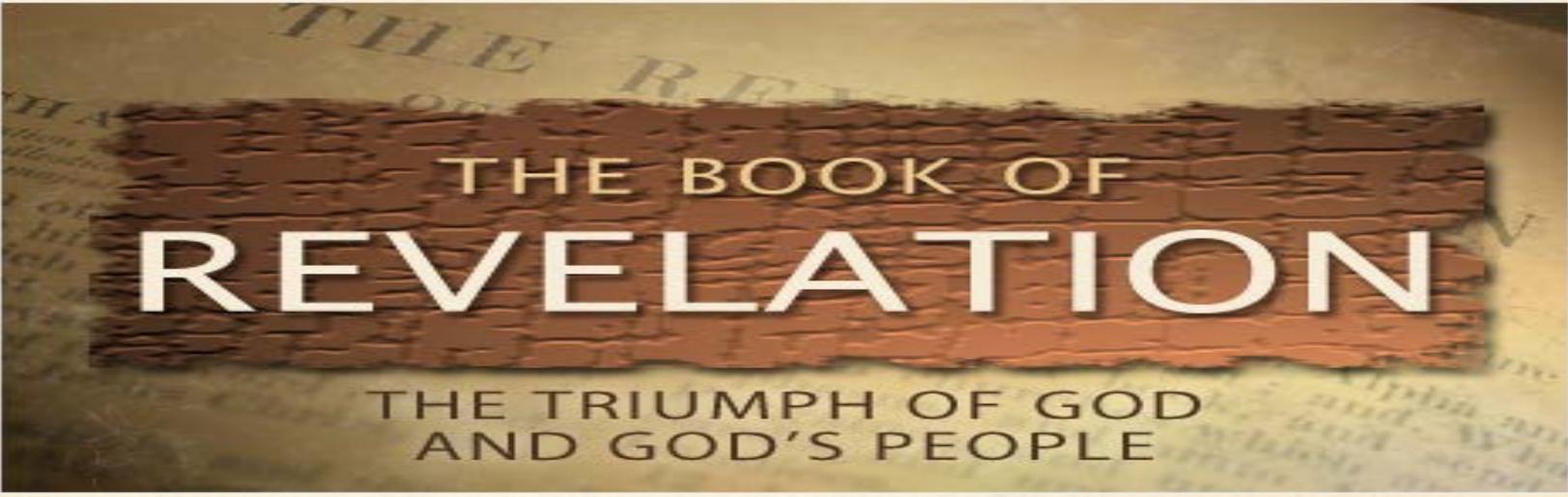


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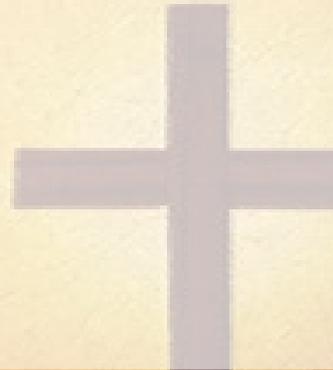
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(This begins another parenthetical insert)





*Then I saw another mighty angel  
coming down from heaven.*



Notice this angel is not fallen, he is coming down from heaven. Who do you think this mighty angel is?

Remember the Greek word for messenger is translated as the word angel, just like the angels of the churches in Revelation 2 and 3.

I believe, as well as many scholars, that the messenger John is seeing is not a created angel but a special mighty messenger who is none other than Jesus Himself.

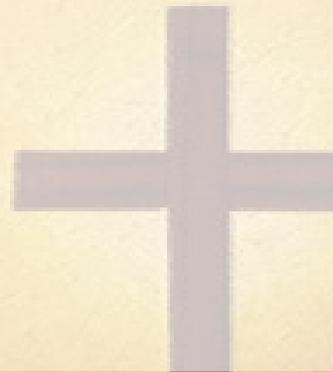
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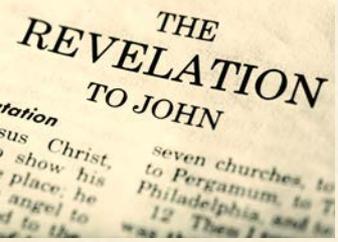
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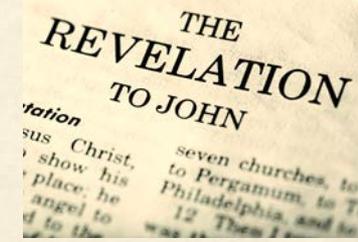
Any ideas to what this represents?

It is a military tactic that was common practice in John's lifetime. A conquering king would place their feet on the neck of the king they conquered and would shout in demonstration of their victory and rule over the conquered kingdom.

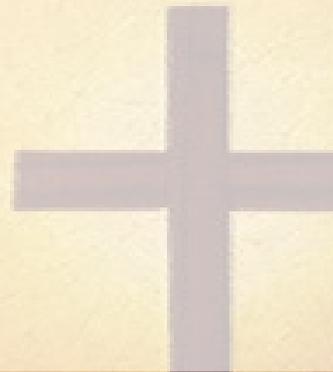




## Joshua 10:24



When they had brought these kings to Joshua, he summoned all the men of Israel and said to the army commanders who had come with him, "Come here and put your feet on the necks of these kings." So they came forward and placed their feet on their necks.



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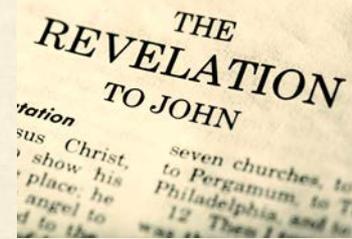
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This is a statement made by God that is seen by John and possibly all those in Heaven and is letting John know that Jesus is the conquering King, He is in control, He has won the war.





*he gave a loud shout like the roar of a lion.*



Proverbs 19:12

The king's wrath is like the roaring of a lion, But his favor is like dew on the grass.

Joel 3:16

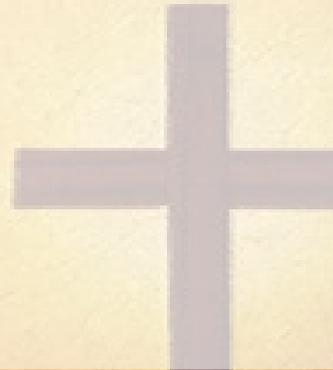
The LORD roars from Zion And utters His voice from Jerusalem, And the heavens and the earth tremble. But the LORD is a refuge for His people And a stronghold to the sons of Israel.

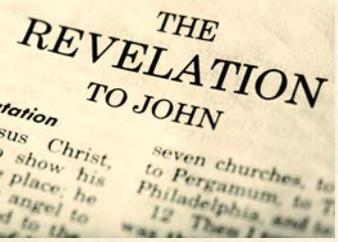


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Jeremiah 25:30

Therefore you shall prophesy against them all these words, and you shall say to them, **'The LORD will roar from on high And utter His voice from His holy habitation; He will roar mightily against His fold. He will shout like those who tread the grapes, Against all the inhabitants of the earth.'**





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## Revelation 5:5

Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."





*When he shouted, the voices of the seven thunders spoke.*



What is the seven thunders?

## **Job 37:2-5**

Listen! Listen **to the roar of his voice,**  
**to the rumbling that comes from his mouth.**

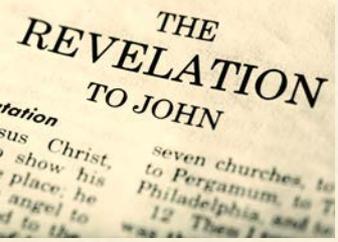
He unleashes his lightning beneath the whole heaven  
and sends it to the ends of the earth.

After that comes **the sound of his roar;**  
**he thunders with his majestic voice.**

When his voice resounds,  
he holds nothing back.

**God's voice thunders** in marvelous ways;  
he does great things beyond our understanding.





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## Psalm 29:3-9

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, **the Lord** thunders over the mighty waters.

1. The voice of the Lord is powerful;
2. the voice of the Lord is majestic.
3. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks in pieces the cedars of Lebanon.
4. He makes Lebanon leap like a calf, Sirion like a young wild ox.
5. The voice of the Lord strikes with flashes of lightning.
6. The voice of the Lord shakes the desert; the Lord shakes the Desert of Kadesh.
7. The voice of the Lord twists the oaks and strips the forests bare.

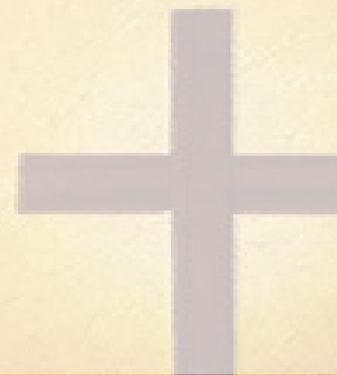
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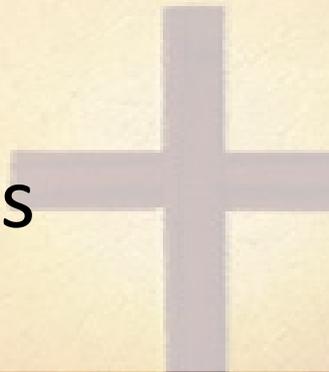
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What does the number 7 represent?

I believe this is telling us that when this messenger shouted out of his mouth came the voice of God.



This is why many scholars believe this mighty messenger is Jesus:

1. He is a mighty messenger
  2. He was robed in a cloud
  3. He has a rainbow above his head
  4. His face was like the sun
  5. His legs were like fiery pillars
  6. He planted his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land in the victory stance of a King
  7. His shout was like the roar of a lion.
  8. When he shouted, the voice of God was heard.
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## Revelation 10:4

And when the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven say, “Seal up what the seven thunders have said and do not write it down.”

What are the seven thunders?

What did God say?

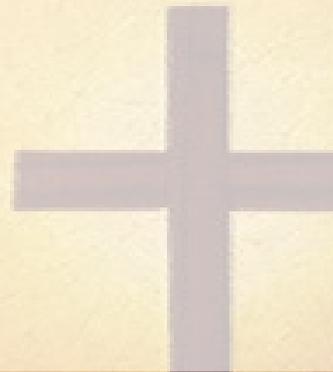
Deuteronomy 29:29

The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.

# Hear What God Is Telling Us

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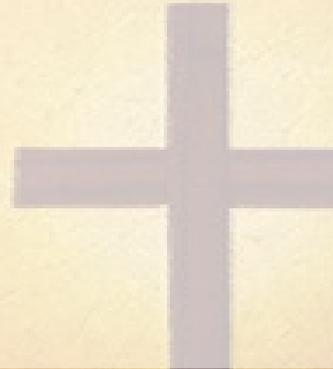


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## Revelation 10:5-7

Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven. And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "There will be no more delay! But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets."





# The Messenger Makes a Vow



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When God takes a vow, who does he make it to?

Himself, just as when he made his promise to Abraham and caused Abraham to fall in a deep sleep and God made the vow with himself as symbolized by Him passing between the pieces alone in Genesis 15.

# What was the vow?

There will be no more delay and the mystery of God will be accomplished.

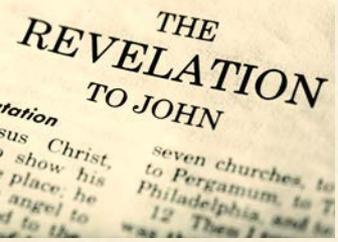
What does this mean?

Revelation 6:11

Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the full number of their fellow servants, their brothers and sisters, were killed just as they had been.

Romans 11:25

I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in,



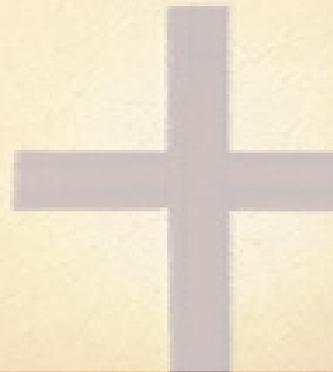
# How did mankind respond after the blowing of the last trumpet?



Revelation 9:20

The rest of mankind who were not killed by these plagues still did not repent

The vow means God's number is complete, it is the time to start bringing an end to it all when the seventh trumpet is blown.



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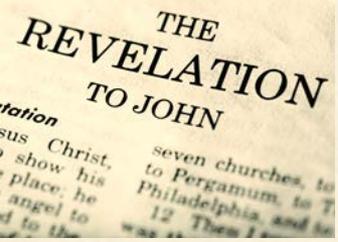
## Revelation 10:8

Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me once more: “Go, take the scroll that lies open in the hand of the mighty messenger who is standing on the sea and on the land.”

Is the messenger in heaven or on the earth?

We need to pay attention so we don't get confused. John is about to change location. Where is John going?

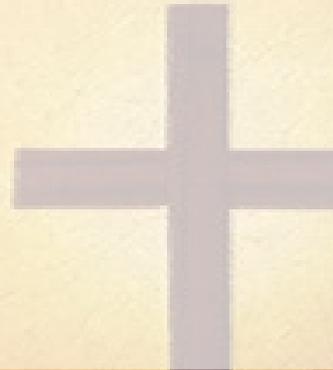
He is leaving heaven and going in spirit back down to the earth to take the scroll from the messenger.



## Revelation 10: 9-11



So I went to the angel and asked him to give me the little scroll. He said to me, "Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach sour, but 'in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey.' " I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour. Then I was told, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings."



# What is eating the book all about?



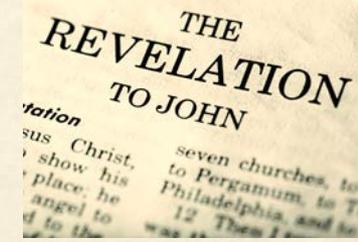
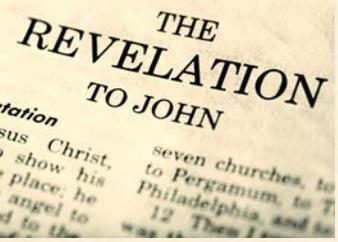
## Ezekiel 3: 1-7

And he said to me, “Son of man, eat what is before you, eat this scroll; then go and speak to the people of Israel.” So I opened my mouth, and he gave me the scroll to eat.

Then he said to me, “Son of man, eat this scroll I am giving you and fill your stomach with it.” So I ate it, and it tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth.

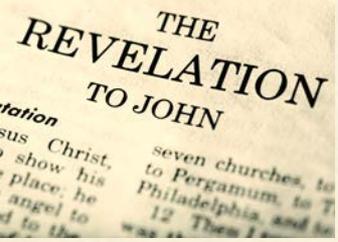
He then said to me: “Son of man, go now to the people of Israel and speak my words to them. You are not being sent to a people of obscure speech and strange language, but to the people of Israel—not to many peoples of obscure speech and strange language, whose words you cannot understand. Surely if I had sent you to them, they would have listened to you. But the people of Israel are not willing to listen to you because they are not willing to listen to me, for all the Israelites are hardened and obstinate.

# What is eating the book all about?



This is very familiar to those who know the old testament. This is the calling of a prophet to prophecy against a hardened people. The message is sweet to the prophet but will be difficult to digest by the prophet because he will be rejected. It will also make the people who do not listen sick. Although it is sweet to John, the earth dwellers will be sickened, disgusted and will reject the message.



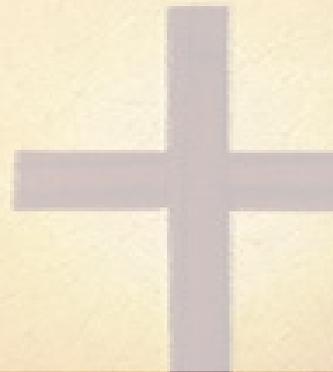


You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings.”



This is telling us that John must now prophesy about what is going to happen to the people on the earth instead of writing down everything he is seeing.

This is also telling us John is going to clarify some things so we are putting the timeline on hold.



# Hear What God is Telling Us

## Revelation 10: 9-11



So I went back down to the earth to the mighty messenger and asked him to give me the little scroll. He said to me, "Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach sour, but 'in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey.'" I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour because of the rejection the prophet will face when speaking this message and the knowledge of what will happen to those who do not listen. The Word of God is sweet to me but will be bitter to the ungodly, just like the prophet Ezekiel experienced. Then I was told, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings."