# Revelation 10 The Day of the Lord Has Come

# Opening Questions

- If God is good, why is there evil in the world?
- Are the judgments in the Book of Revelation literal or figurative?
- What is the Day of the Lord?



10 I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow was on his head, his face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. 2 He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, 3 and cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices. 4 Now when the seven thunders uttered their voices, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them."

5 The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand to heaven 6 and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer, 7 but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

O: The description of the mighty angel seems to be like Jesus. Is it?

 Not likely. The original language is means "another of the same kind," or another like the 7 angels sounding the trumpets.

#### Q: What little book is this? Is it the same or a different book from earlier?

It is likely the same scroll with the 7 seals.

#### Q: Where do the 7 thunders come from?

 This is the seven-fold voice of God that we see throughout scripture. This is not just noise, it is intelligible, as John is about to write down the meaning.

#### Q: What is the significance of the angel standing on land and the sea?

 This angel will appear gigantic. By standing on the earth and the sea, it is apparent the message goes out to everyone.

Q: What happens after this trumpet, why should there be no longer a delay?

 This is the initiation of long foreseen and described Day of the Lord. This is what the prophets, disciples, and saints have been waiting for.

Q: What is the "Mystery of God" referred to here?

• God has concealed a truth that was revealed through the prophets, Christ and His apostles. This is the revealing of that mystery after all this time! 8 Then the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, "Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the earth."

9 So I went to the angel and said to him, "Give me the little book."

And he said to me, "Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."

10 Then I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I had eaten it, my stomach became bitter. 11 And he said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings."

Q: We see other times in history where prophets have been commanded to "eat God's words." However, they don't always result in a bitter stomach. Why might this time result in bitterness?

 The wrath poured out on a dying world results in a bitter reaction. Though God's will is done, we feel for those lost and dying.

#### Q: What is John to do next? Why?

 John expands his audience to many peoples and nations, including Kings. God desires all to come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved.

## The Day of the Lord

The ending of the day of man — or of the Satan since he is ruling the world right now

Transitioning into the Day of the Lord – The time which God directly rules the world

### The justice of God – PSALM 5

1 Give ear to my words, O LORD,

Consider my meditation.

2 Give heed to the voice of my cry,

My King and my God,

For to You I will pray.

3 My voice You shall hear in the morning, O LORD;

In the morning I will direct it to You,

And I will look up.

4 For You are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness,

Nor shall evil dwell with You.

5 The boastful shall not stand in Your sight;

You hate all workers of iniquity.

6 <u>You shall destroy those who</u> speak falsehood;

The LORD abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy;

In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple.

8 Lead me, O LORD, in Your righteousness because of my enemies;

Make Your way straight before my face.

9 For there is no faithfulness in their mouth;

Their inward part is destruction,

Their throat is an open tomb;

They flatter with their tongue.

o Pronounce them guilty, O Godl

Let them fall by their own counsels

Cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions,

For they have rebelled against you.

11 But let all those rejoice who put their trust in You;

Let them ever shout for joy, because You defend them;

Let those also who love Your name Be joyful in You.

12 For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous;

With favor You will surround him as with a shield.

### Resurrection

This is popular belief about the unsaved is not biblical



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Chap 11 – The Two Witnesses and 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet

