

CHAPTER XVII

THE SEVEN TRUMPETS

Revelation 8:6 reads: ***“AND THE SEVEN ANGELS WHICH HAD THE SEVEN TRUMPETS PREPARED THEMSELVES TO SOUND.”*** (Reference Scripture in Apocrypha: *2 Esdras 6:23-24 [see appendix]*). We wish it understood that we are dealing with the wrath of God and these things are not a symbol, but the elements of nature being converted into destructive plagues (*2 Esdras 15:12-24 [see appendix]*) against the *world*; the same that struck Pharaoh in Egypt when Moses went down to deliver them. This we will see as we compare scripture with scripture in reference to the plagues under study. We read Revelation 8:7: ***“THE FIRST ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THERE FOLLOWED HAIL AND FIRE MINGLED WITH BLOOD, AND THEY WERE CAST UPON THE EARTH: AND THE THIRD PART OF TREES WAS BURNT UP, AND ALL GREEN GRASS WAS BURNT UP.”*** Now let us notice a plague of this nature, which struck Egypt in Exodus 9:22-26 *[see appendix]*.

Dear reader, use your bible and compare the records of the plagues, which hit Egypt with what is to come under this seal. This will give one a better knowledge of the plagues mentioned under the trumpets. Only in Egypt it was limited to part of the land of Pharaoh, but this time they will hit the world in sections and destroy the third part of the section in which they shall strike. The first plague will come in the summer when the trees and the fields are green. With this plague – in comparing it with the same, which hit Egypt – we find that something has been added: that is, blood with hail and fire. It shall kill the third part of the trees and all of the green grass in that section and many cattle and many people.

Now the second angel goes to work and the note from his trumpet brings a great ball of fire from the heavens; so great until it looks like a blazing mountain falling into the sea. Verse 8 reads: ***“AND THE SECOND ANGEL SOUNDED, AND AS IT WERE A GREAT MOUNTAIN BURNING WITH FIRE WAS CAST INTO THE SEA: AND THE THIRD PART OF THE SEA BECAME BLOOD; (v9) AND THE THIRD PART OF THE CREATURES WHICH WERE IN THE SEA, AND HAD LIFE, DIED; AND THE THIRD PART OF THE SHIPS WERE DESTROYED.”*** Egypt had experience of their water turning to blood and killing the fish in the river. Please compare Exodus 7:17-25 *[see appendix]*. But under this plague (to come) the sea will be subject to the wrath of God and the third part of the great waters is turned to blood killing the third part of the fish and sea creatures, which were in that section. Not only this, the third part of the ships at sea in those parts shall be destroyed. As the blazing meteor fall into the sea, it will cause a great tidal wave by which many ships will be destroyed. We have noticed along with this text that Egypt had the like experience, as their waters again, were changed to blood.

Now the third angel took up his trumpet and sounded. We read in verse 10 of Revelation 8th chapter: ***“AND THE THIRD ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THERE FELL A GREAT STAR FROM HEAVEN, BURNING AS IT WERE A LAMP, AND IT FELL UPON THE THIRD PART OF THE RIVERS, AND UPON THE FOUNTAINS OF WATERS; (v11) AND THE NAME OF THE STAR IS CALLED WORMWOOD: AND THE THIRD PART OF THE WATERS BECAME WORMWOOD; AND MANY MEN DIED OF THE WATERS, BECAUSE THEY WERE MADE BITTER.”*** The word “wormwood” means bitter. Now the water became bitter poison and it shall also affect the unborn of Man and beast. We find that the children of Israel we experienced bitter water in the wilderness (*Exodus 15:23 [see appendix]*), but under this plague (to come) the third part of the rivers and wells of water are affected.

Your attention is called to the fourth trumpet. We read in verse 12: ***“AND THE FOURTH ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE SUN WAS SMITTEN, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE MOON, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE STARS; SO AS THE THIRD PART OF THEM WAS DARKENED, AND THE DAY SHONE NOT FOR A THIRD PART OF IT, AND THE NIGHT LIKEWISE.”*** Here we see that the fourth trumpet will be administered to the solar system. Day will be cut by one third by a dense darkness that may be felt. This darkness is a great phenomenon, which Egypt experienced (*Exodus 10:21-23 [see appendix]*).