



# Revelation Ch 10

# A great pause

- Chapter 10 and 11:14
  - Another interlude.
  - A pause
  - The purpose, a time of grace
  - A look behind the scenes for more information.
- Chapter 12 is a history lesson and war in heaven.
  - I believe this to be the mid-point of the seven years
- Chapter 13 follows Satan being cast out of heaven and the rise of the anti-christ
- Chapter 14 judgement on Babylon and the fall of. (Fallen kingdom of the earth/religion.)
- Chapter 16 the prepping of the 7 bowls of wrath.

# Revelation chapter 10

- Another mighty angel
- Seven thunders
- A little book

# Another Angel

- Another angel
- *al'-los*
- A primary word; “*else*”, that is, *different* (in many applications): - more, one (another), (an-, some an-) other (-s, -wise).
- So, this is a different angel
- Some believe it is Jesus
  - However, Jesus, while called the Angel of the Lord, is never called an angel.

# Is this Jesus?

- His description
  - Came down from heaven
  - Clothed with a cloud
  - Rainbow upon his head
  - Face was like the sun
  - Feet as pillars of fire.
- Sounds like Jesus, but more likely, this Angel just came from the presence of the Lord.
- I would suggest that this is a “special” angel

# MIGHTY

- Because of the word mighty.
- *is-khoo-ros'*
- From [G2479](#); *forcible* (literally or figuratively): - boisterous, mighty (-ier), powerful, strong (-er, man), valiant.
- The rainbow again suggests a covenant. This to me means that He is going to fulfill His word with Abraham in Gen 12:3
  - Also, when the sun shines through the clouds is when you see a rainbow.

# Pillars of fire

- Fire holds a special place in the Bible, symbolizing everything from God's immediate presence to His judgment and purifying work. Its power to both destroy and refine makes it a rich and multifaceted biblical symbol.
- 1) Fire as a Symbol of God's Presence
  - The Burning Bush (Exodus 3:1-3) The Pillar of Fire (Exodus 13:21-22) The Holy Spirit as Fire (Acts 2:3)
- 2) Fire as a Tool of Judgment and Punishment
  - Fire in Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 19:24) Fire of Hell and Eternal Punishment (Matthew 25:41, Revelation 20:14-15)
- 3) Fire as a Symbol of Purification and Refinement
  - Refining Fire in Proverbs and Zechariah (Proverbs 17:3, Zechariah 13:9) Fire of the Holy Spirit in Our Lives (2 Timothy 1:6)
- 4) Fire on the Altar: An Everlasting Flame
- 5) Fire in the Book of Revelation: Divine Judgment and New Creation
- 6) Theological Interpretations of Fire
  - Fire in Church Doctrine Fire in Eschatology
- 7) Practical Applications of Fire's Symbolism
  - Keeping the Fire Burning in Your Heart (2 Timothy 1:6) Fire as a Call to Action (Matthew 5:16)

# The little book

- There now is mention of the little book in his hand.
- But back to the feet of fire
  - Notice he places one on the earth and one on the sea.
  - This shows all the associations with fire upon both the sea and the earth. This is total and complete judgement.
  - Different than the time of Noah. Judgement was upon the earth and those who dwelled upon the earth. The sea was not judged.
  - This time everything is judged.

# The 7 thunders

- Now we don't know what they say
- We are not told
- In fact John was told NOT to write them down but to seal them up.
  - So why even mention them?
  - People since the time of this writing have been trying to explain what they are. It is only a guess.
  - So, what's the point?
  - Just know that He has a plan, but we are not always going to know what that plan is.
  - If you want a possible clue as to what these seven thunders declared I would refer you to Psalm 29. In that Psalm, seven times the voice of the Lord thunders over the earth in judgment.

# The angel

- Lifts his hands to heaven
  - Yes, God sometimes swears to Himself Hebrew 6:13 (no greater name than His name so HE SWEARS TO Himself)
  - Could be Jesus or it could be an angel.
  - The point is not who, but what he is doing.
- He is declaring TIME is up.
- 2 Tim 3:1
- Last *es'-khat-os*
- A superlative probably from [G2192](#) (in the sense of *contiguity*); *farthest, final* (of place or time): - ends of, last, latter end, lowest, uttermost.

# Acts 2:17

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- The same word is used but the Greek in 2 Tim suggest the end of the end.
  - Daniel 12:4
  - *kates*
  - Contracted from H7112; an *extremity*; adverbially (with prepositional prefix) *after*: - + after, (utmost) border, end, [in-] finite, X process.
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## STRONG'S #

### (I) Of place:

(A) Particularly extreme, most remote, the neut. as subst. [τό ἐσχάτον](#), the extremity ([Act 1:8](#); [Act 13:47](#); Sept.: [Deu 28:49](#); [Isa 48:20](#); [Jer 16:19](#)).

(B) Metaphorically implying rank or dignity, the last, lowest, least ([Luk 14:9-10](#)). Generally ([Mat 19:30](#); [Mrk 9:35](#); [Mrk 10:31](#); [Luk 13:30](#); [Jhn 8:9](#); [1Co 4:9](#)).

(C) Of order or number, the last, utmost ([Mat 5:26](#); [Luk 12:59](#)).

### (II) Of time, the last or latest.

(A) Generally of persons ([Mat 20:8](#), [Mat 20:12](#), [Mat 20:14](#), [Mat 20:16](#) means the laborers last hired: [1Co 15:26](#). [1Co](#)

# The mystery of God

- There are a lot of mysteries of God
  - The church being one of them
  - The important point to remember is that in due time a Mystery will be made known.
  - This could be the scroll from Daniel (also note the similarity of Daniel)
  - Which is also the scroll in the beginning of Revelation.

# Just eat it....

- Eating the Book means to take it all in.
  - BTW this is what we should be doing when we read the Bible.
  - Take it all in and make it part of you.
  - All the rest is just knowledge.
  - This is a message for us.... to take the Word in.
  - This is also a tie back to Revelation 1:3
- Sometimes God's word is sweet but then bitter.
- Knowing the end means we too are to go tell the world.

- 2Peter 2:4 For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast *them* down to hell and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment;
- 2Peter 2:5 and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, *one of eight people*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;