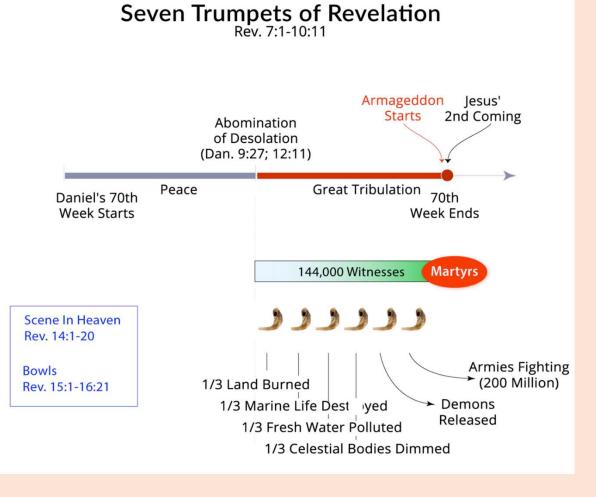
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The 7th seal

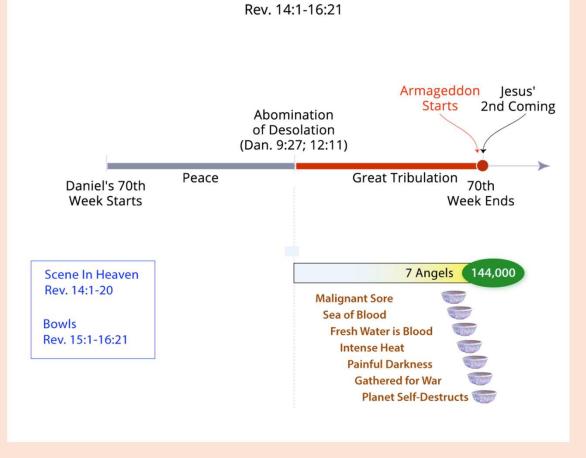
- The 7th seal
 - This now opens the scroll.
 - Remember Ch 6:17(Who shall stand? Ch 7)
 - This assumes the wrath of the Lamb does not start until the 7th seal.
 - I understand that this means the scroll is the wrath.
 - What does that mean about the 6 seals?
 - • First seal (vs. 1-2) the Antichrist is let loose upon the world
 - Second seal (vs. 3-4) wars begin and peace is lost
 - Third seal (vs. 5-6) famine breaks out
 - Fourth seal (vs. 7-8) the ultimate result of war and famine, which is death
 - Fifth seal (vs. 9-11) persecution of God's people, which brings more of God's vengeance on the world, but not until their evil has been filled up with the last martyr's death
 - Sixth seal (vs. 12-17) a great earthquake along with other celestial upheavals

- The seal judgments are also described in Jesus' Olivet discourse, found in <u>Matthew 24</u>. The first four are mentioned in vs. 1-7; the fifth in vs. 9; and the sixth in vs. 7 and 29.
- The first six trumpets are comprised of the following judgments:
 - First trumpet (vs. 7) one third of earth, trees, grass is burned up
 - Second trumpet (vs. 8-9) one third of the sea creatures die and ships are destroyed
 - Third trumpet (vs. 10-11) one third of the waters polluted and many die
 - Fourth trumpet (vs. 12) one third of the sun, moon, and stars are darkened
 - Fifth trumpet (vs. 9:1-11) Locusts/demons are released to torment people
 - Sixth trumpet (vs. 9:13-19) Four bound demons are released to kill one third of humankind with an army

Timeline

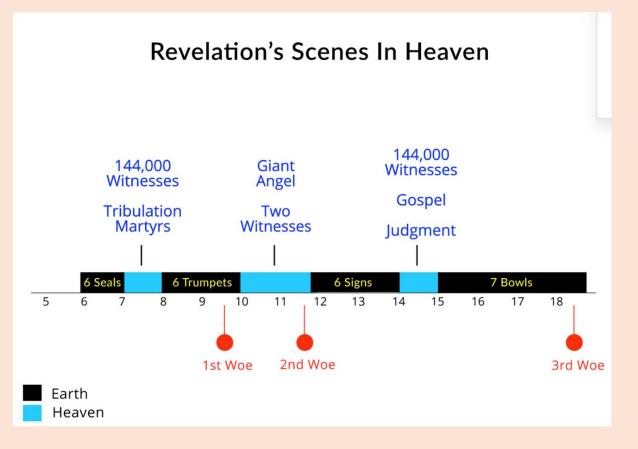


7 Bowls



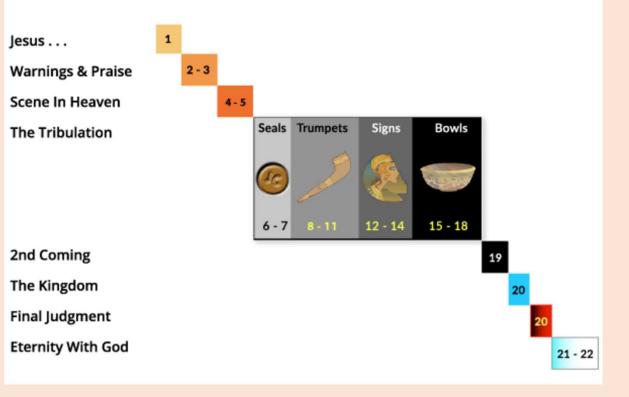
Seven Bowls of Revelation

3 Woes

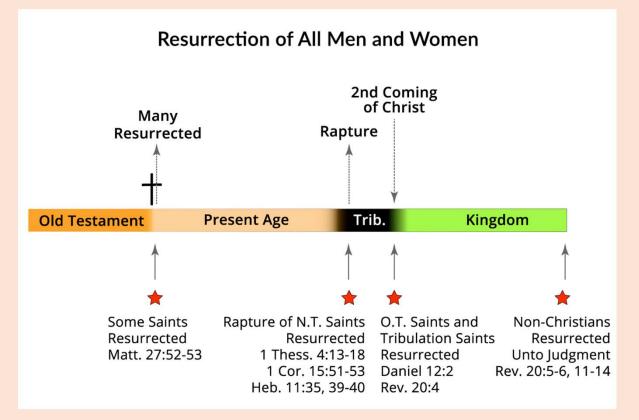


Overall timeline

Outline of Revelation



History Timeline



Ch 8

- Vs 1 Silence in Heaven
- Vs 2 The trumpets are given out.
 - Some believe these are the seven Spirits from Ch 1
 - Why I don't think so...
 - We do see a pattern of 7
- Vs 3 Another angel with a gold censer
 - Another of the Different Kind
 - Censer is one tied to Frankincense
 - Frankincense symbolizes prayer, worship, and the <u>divinity of Jesus Christ</u> in the Bible. As suggested in <u>Matthew 2:11</u>, the Magi present frankincense as a gift to the newborn Jesus, representing their acknowledgment of his divine nature. Additionally, as implied in <u>Revelation 8:3-4</u>, Frankincense is used in the description of heavenly worship.

The Censer

- So we have the Worship in heaven tied to the prayers of the Saints.
 - Saints from Ch 6:10 and Ch 7
- We have the Divine nature of God
 - In hearing the prayers and in sending the judgments when mixed with fire.

Trumpets

- Note that the trumpets are blown, I would say at the earth.
- In the Bible, trumpets were used for communication, proclamation, and to gather people together.
- They symbolize divine authority, power, and the connection between humanity and the divine realm.
- Trumpets often serve as a call to action or a warning, representing divine intervention, judgment, and the fulfillment of prophecies.
- The seven trumpets in Revelation are part of a series of judgments that God brings upon the earth.
- The shofar, or ram's horn, holds particular significance as a tool for signaling, warning, and symbolizing cataclysmic events before the second coming of Christ

- So these trumpets are judgements as well as warnings.
 - Why do I say that? Because in them we have the 1st woe, and within the 7th trumpet we have the 7 bowls of wrath!
 - Note Vs 13
- 1St Trumpet
 - Hail and fire, mingled with blood.
 - 1/3rd of Trees and grass was burned.
 - God uses whatever He wants to bring judgement.

- 2nd Trumpet
 - Something LIKE a mountain thrown into the sea.
 - Perhaps a meteor that crashes into the sea.
 - 1/3 of the sea became blood
 - 1/3 sea life died
 - 1/3 ships destroyed.
 - Approximately 120,000 ships today. @ 40,000 ships will be destroyed.

• 3rd Trumpet

- A great star (also used for an angel see Ch 9:1)
- Satan?? Isa 14 and Eze 28 tells us all about him.
- Ch 12:7-13
- Called "wormwood" Means bitterness
- Undrinkable without harm.
- @ 100 main rivers that cover the earth. 30 are in the US.
- Life on Earth would be significantly different if 1/3 of our main rivers were undrinkable. While water is essential for life, extremophiles have appeared in environments where water is scarce. However, the consequences of losing 1/3 of our water supply would be severe, affecting ecosystems and human survival. Water is required for chemical reactions and energy sources that fuel metabolic reactions

- 4th Trumpet
 - 1/3rd of the sun
 - 1/3rd of the stars
 - 1/3rd of the day and the night did not shine.
- Vs 13 the woes are introduced.
 - Woe is an interjection of grief.
 - The first 4 trumpets are judgements yes, but also warnings to what is about to come.
 - Remember the 144,000 are sealed and they are preaching the gospel during this time.

- I want you to think about something.
 - This could all be happening at the same time, in one big storm.
 - 1st Noises, thundering's, lightings and an earthquake.
 - 2nd A big meteor falls into the sea
 - 3rd Satan is thrown to the earth. (or another meteor)
 - 4th Trumpet a 1/3rd of the sky goes dark.
 - All around the mid point, or 3.5 years, into the tribulation.
 - This starts the great tribulation.

Next week

- We are going to spend some time talking about demons and fallen angels.
- Is there a difference?
- What can they do and what can't they do?