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The Woe Trumps of Revelation

Understanding the Woe Trumps is important to understanding Revelation. Revelation is a word meaning to reveal or make known and revealing the Woe Trumps is our first step to understanding the things that Rev. 1:1 KJV says are coming to pass:

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

John, in prison on the Isle of Patmos, suddenly finds himself in his spiritual body, finds himself in heaven on the Lord's Day; Rev. 1:10 KJV is where we learn this:

I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,



Taking John into the future, God shares it with us. Rev. 4:1 KJV shows heaven opening to both John and us:

After this I

looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

The voice of the first of seven angels draws our attention to the seven trumps or events that lead to the coming of the Lord. Rev. 8:13 KJV singles out the last three...

The Woe Trumps:

And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!

Entering the timeframe of the Woe Trumps covers the five month period that Satan and his fallen angels are here and concludes at the seventh or final trump when Christ returns.

It is the five months before Christ returns that Satan and his fallen angels, referenced as locust, are loosed upon us; God is taking about them in Rev. 9: 4 KJV:

[4] And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only

those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

Unable to hurt grass or any green thing assures that we are not talking about locusts... We are talking about men. The subject is Satan and his fallen angels! They are able to hurt anyone not sealed by God; anyone that does not share His Truth will be convinced that Satan is Christ and that he has come to rapture them away; Rev. 9:5 KJV continues:

[5] And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

Understanding that Revelation shows Satan represented by a scorpion illustrates how man is

You see, a scorpion has no stomach. He feeds by injecting poison into his victim. Utilizing them as his stomach, he waits for them to turn to mush before consuming them. Getting us to believe that Satan is Christ is the poison used on us. The absence of God's mark, the absence of Truth opens the door; Rev. 9:6 KJV continues:

[6] And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them

The seventh or last Woe Trump arrives meaning that the True Christ is here. Being convinced five months earlier that Satan was Christ causes God's deceived Children to seek death; Rev. 6:16 KJV confirms this as you see them praying for mountains to fall on them:

And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

Knowledge prevents you from suffering this embarrassment; you pause to ask yourself:
Are the Woe Trumps becoming clear to me?

Am I reading Revelation with clarity?

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