

Year of Revelation

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Quote

"This is a passage whose imagery is mysterious and whose details no one has ever been able fully to explain."

William Barclay, Daily Bible Series

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are Dramatic Signs of

Notes

Questions for the Heart and Spirit

1. Who is it that is opening the seven seals? Realizing that the trumpets are a result of opening the seventh seal, does this sound like the Jesus you worship? Do the actions of chapters 8 & 9 surprise you? Why or why not?
2. Assuming that the things described in ch 9 are literal, what might be your goal in preparing for this event?

Questions for the Mind

1. READ: Gen 1:16; Num 24:17; Ps 147:4; Is 14:12; Is 40:46; Rev 1:20; Rev 9:1
What is the nature of stars? Who controls them? Is the star of Rev 9:1 more like those of Rev 1:20, or those of the other references? Why or why not? What name might you give to the star of Rev 9:1?
2. READ: Luke 8:26-31; Rom 10:1-10; Rev 9:7-11; 11:3-7; 17:6-8
Look up Abyss in the dictionary. Which meaning more closely describes its usage in scripture? How is it used here? Where is it located? Who dwells there? Why would the Abyss have an angel? (Ref Rev 9:11)
3. READ: Ex 10:4-19; Deut 28:38; 2 Chron 7:13; Prov 30:27; Rev 9:7-11
Who is in charge of the locusts in Exodus? In Revelation 9? What are the differences between the two? Are they literal or symbolic? Why or why not?
4. READ: Ex 13:7-9; 28:36-38; Deut 6:5-8; 11:16-18; Rev 7:3; 9:4
What is the deal about the forehead? Why does God put stuff there foreheads? What was the purpose of the instructions in the Old Testament references? The Revelation references? Where do you think the new name of Rev 3:12 will be written? Why is it important relative to Rev 9:4?
5. READ: Job 26:5-6; 28:20-22; Ps 88:1-12; Pr 15:9-11; 27:19-20; Rev 9:11
What is the nature of Abaddon? Is it a good angel, or an evil angel? Who is its master? What is its assignment?

Application

- Research the terms Sheol, Hades, and hell. Is any of this familiar?
- Pray for Gods wisdom as we continue to explore the book of Revelation.