

## Two of the Three Woes

1 The fifth angel sounded his trumpet, and I saw a star **that had fallen** from the sky to the earth. The star was given the key to the shaft of the Abyss. 2 When he opened the Abyss, smoke rose from it like the smoke from a gigantic furnace. The sun and sky were darkened by the smoke from the Abyss. 3 And out of the smoke locusts came down upon the earth and were given power like that of scorpions of the earth. 4 They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any plant or tree, but only those people who **did not have the seal of God on their foreheads**. 5 They were not given power to kill them, but only to torture them for five months. And the agony they suffered was like that of the sting of a scorpion when it strikes a man. 6 During those days men will seek death, but will not find it; they will long to die, but death will elude them.

7 The locusts looked like horses prepared for battle. On their heads they wore something like crowns of gold, and their faces resembled human faces. 8 Their hair was like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth. 9 They had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the thundering of many horses and chariots rushing into battle. 10 They had tails and stings like scorpions, and in their tails they had power to torment people for five months. 11 They had as king over them the angel of the Abyss, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek, Apollyon.

12 The first woe is past; two other woes are yet to come.

13 The sixth angel sounded his trumpet, and I heard a voice coming from the horns of the golden altar that is before God. 14 It said to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." 15 And the four angels **who had been kept ready for this very hour and day and month and year were released to kill a third of mankind**. 16 The number of the mounted troops was two hundred million. I heard their number.

17 The horses and riders I saw in my vision looked like this: Their breastplates were fiery red, dark blue, and yellow as sulfur. The heads of the horses resembled the heads of lions, and out of their mouths came fire, smoke and sulfur. 18 A third of mankind was killed by the three plagues of fire, smoke and sulfur that came out of their mouths. 19 The power of the horses was in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails were like snakes, having heads with which they inflict injury.

20 The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood-idols that cannot see or hear or walk. 21 Nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts, their sexual immorality or their thefts.

The first four seals and trumpets presented judgments directed against the earth.

**In the first four seals**, these were the "four horsemen" bringing tyranny, war, famine, and death on the earth.

**In the first four trumpets**, these were the ecological destruction of the vegetation, seas, fresh waters, and sky.

**The last three seals focused upon heaven**: the cry of the martyrs, cosmic disturbances, and the heavenly prelude to the seven trumpets.

**But the last three trumpets will speak of hell**, in terms of the demonic.

The idea of "Death as an escape" is a demonic deception. The infamous murderers of Littleton, Colorado made chilling home movies before their killing spree. Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold left behind a videotaped document spelling out their motivation. In the last segment of tape, shot the morning of the murders, Harris & Klebold are dressed and say they are ready for "our little Judgement Day." Then Klebold, looking tense, says goodbye to his parents. He concludes, "I didn't like life too much. Just know I am going to a better place than here." What tragic deception to think - on the day you will commit terrible murders - that you will go "to a better place." There was no escape in death for Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold.

The "Destroyer"



**1/3 of of the world?**

At this point only 50% of the population is left.

# The Seven Trumpets

Tr.	To	What	Effect	Effect for Man
1	the earth	hail & fire w/ blood	1/3 earth burned, 1/3 trees burned, 1/3 grass burned	less vegetation, food
2	the sea	mountain burning with fire thrown into sea	1/3 sea becomes blood	less food
3	the rivers & springs	star burning like torch fell	1/3 waters become wormwood	less usable water
4	sun & moon & stars	1/3 sun struck 1/3 moon struck 1/3 stars struck	day and night shine 1/3 less	darker, colder
5	the earth	locusts with sting like scorpion released from bottomless pit	non-believers tormented for 5 months	torture (physical + spiritual)
6	-	Four angels bound at the Euphrates released	Kill 1/3 mankind with 3 plagues (fire, smoke, brimstone)	massive death
7	-	Temple of God in heaven opened, ark of the covenant appeared	Lightning, thunder, earthquake, great hailstorm.	judgment



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