

Series: The Glorious Appearing

Title: The Two Witnesses

Text: (Revelation 11:1-14)

We are in the Period known as the Great Tribulation.

(Rev 9:13) The blowing of the 6th trumpet.

(Rev 11:15) We are told, "And the seventh angel sounded."

An interlude between the 6th & the 7th trumpets,

A parenthesis, spanning Ch 10-11 in length.

Chapter 11 divides itself into two scenes.

(Vs 1-13) We have an earthly scene.

(Vs 14-19) We have a heavenly scene.

I. The Temple on Earth: (Vs 1-2)

First Jewish Temple: Build by Solomon's; destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar in 587 BC [Jer 39:1-10, 52:4-30].

Second Jewish Temple: Build by Zerubbabel:

Desecrated & pillaged: Antiochus Epiphanes in 168 BC.

Third Jewish Temple: Build by Herod: Destroyed 70 AD.

Fourth Jewish Temple: (Rev 11)

Fifth Jewish Temple: The Millennial Temple (Ezek 40- 43)

The First Clue: A City

(Vs 2) "And the holy city."

(Vs 8) "where also our Lord was crucified."

The Second Clue: A Time Element. (Rev 11:2)

(Daniel 9:26-27) (2 Thes 2:3-4)

The Third Clue: Temple Worship: (II Thess 2:4)

II. The Two Witnesses on Earth

A. The Ministry of the Witnesses (Vs 3-6)

(Vs 3a) Dynamism: Power from God

(Vs 3b) Descendance: "My" two witnesses.

(Vs 3c) Duty: Their Title = Job description (Acts 14:17)

(Vs 3d) Duration: 1260 days=42 months=3 & 1/2 years.

(Vs 3e) Disposition: Sackcloth ~ Sorrowful & Preaching

(Vs 4a) Distinction: 2 Olive Trees

(Vs 4b) Dignity: 2 Candlesticks Standing before God.

(Vs 5) Defense/Defendability:

(Vs 6a) Domination: The Power to Shut Heaven

(Vs 6b) Discretion: "As often as they will".

(1 Kings 17:1) (Exodus 7-12)

B. The Enemy of the Witnesses (Vs 7-10)

C. The Ascension of the Witnesses (Vs 11-13)

III. The Trumpet from Heaven: (Vs 14-19)

A. The Second Woe is Passed: (Vs 14)

B. The Seventh Trumpet Sounds (Vs 15-19)

Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving in Heaven: (Vs 16-17)

5 things that will take place at the end of the age. (Vs 18)

(1) The nations were angry.

(2) The Full Exposition & Unfolding of the Wrath of God.

(3) The time of the dead that they should be judged.

(4) Saints Rewarded

(5) Destruction of the Defilers

This chapter begins & Concludes with a temple.