

A Study of the General Epistles

(NT Survey Lesson 222-Revelation 8)

Introduction: Now that the bond-servants of God have been sealed, the winds of judgment can now go forth against God's enemies. These judgments take the form of seven trumpets which symbolize God's call of his armies to battle against his enemies (v. 1-2). We are reminded also that these judgments are heaven's response to the prayers of his persecuted people (v. 3-6). The first four trumpets call forth judgments from nature (v. 8-13).

Lesson aim: To depict the wrath of God as it manifests itself toward the enemies of His kingdom.

The seven trumpeting angels introduced--Rev. 8:1-2

1. What occurs when the seventh seal is broken?
2. Who stands before the throne of God in this vision? What is given to each of them?

The prayers of the saints bring forth response from God--Rev. 8:3-5

1. What does John see another angel holding? What is he adding to it? To what is the incense being added?
2. What does the angel do with the fire he takes from the altar? What results when he does this?

The first four trumpeting angels sound--Rev. 8:6-13

1. Describe what happens with the sounding of each of the four trumpets:

Trumpet Number	Agent of Destruction	Thing affected	Results
First trumpet			
Second trumpet			

Third trumpet			
Fourth trumpet			