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WHEN HELL MEETS EARTH – PART 3

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**We're Studying a Difficult Portion of Scripture.
More Difficult Than The Study itself, is The Context !**

**Those Who Will Experience This Chapter in the Future
Will be those who, when the opportunity was before them to respond to the gospel
invitation, refused, neglected or mocked the chance to be rescued from hell.**

Like Felix in the book of Acts 24:24

...when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, he sent for the apostle Paul and listened to him concerning the faith in Christ. :25 Now as Paul reasoned about righteousness, self-control, and **the judgment to come**, Felix became afraid and answered, **“Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you.”**

Guess What – Felix Never Called for Paul

2 Thessalonians 2:11-12

And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, :12 that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Revelation 9:13-21

Then the sixth angel sounded: And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, :14 saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, “Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.” :15 So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind. :16 Now the number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them. :17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone. :18 By these three *plagues* a third of mankind was killed—by the fire and the smoke and

the brimstone which came out of their mouths. :19 For their power is in their mouth and in their tails; for their tails *are* like serpents, having heads; and with them they do harm. :20 But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. :21 And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.

Remembering Back to Revelation 8:1-2

The Apostle John says, he saw Jesus Christ, open the seventh seal, and there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. :2 And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.

We Now Know that These (7) Seven Trumpets are divided into two groups.

The First Group of 4;
Trumpets 1, 2, 3, and 4

The Second Group of 3
Trumpets 5, 6, and 7

Trumpets 1, 2, 3, and 4
These were terrible judgements brought upon the earth (physical in nature)

Trumpets 5, 6, and 7
These are much worse judgments brought upon earth (spiritual in nature)

Revelation 8:13

And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

In The Future, When These Things Happen, What do We Know?

We Know That By The Time Chapter 9 Happens;

1. We have already seen the rapture of the church
2. The earth will have seen the advent of Europe's great political leader, by the way he favors a number = (666)
3. A seven year peace accord will have been signed by Israel
4. A third temple will be commissioned in Jerusalem for the Jews
5. A global, cashless banking system will be implemented - prefix (666)
6. We've seen great persecution against the Jewish nation
7. We've seen millions of tribulation believers martyred for their faith in Jesus Christ during the tribulation period.
8. By this time, there are 144,000 Jewish evangelists preaching the gospel worldwide.
9. Natural and supernatural global disasters taking place, killing millions.

WHEN HELL'S ON EARTH

I.) *There's a demand for judgment*

vv. 13-15

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1st *Divine Judgment is God's Right*

v.13

Then the sixth angel sounded: And I heard a voice from **the four horns of the golden altar which is before God**,

And I heard a voice
It proceeds Out of the golden altar!

This is Jesus Christ Answering a Specific Prayer

Revelation 6:9-11

When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. :10 And **they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"** :11 Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both *the number of* their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they *were*, was completed.

"Just Wait Till The Ninth Chapter"

Revelation 8:3

And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the **prayers** of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

Judgment is God's Right

Psalm 2:2

The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, *saying*, :3 "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us." :4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The LORD shall hold them in derision. :5 Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure: :6 "Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion." :7 "I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me, 'You *are* My Son, Today I have begotten You.

John 5:22

For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son,

Psalm 9:7

But the LORD shall endure forever: he hath prepared his throne for judgment. **:8** And he shall **judge the world** in righteousness,

Psalm 96:13

For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, And the peoples with His truth.

Acts 17:30

Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, **:31** because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead."

There's a demand for judgment...

2nd Divine Judgment is God's Resource

v.14

saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet,
"Release the four angels **who are bound** at the great river Euphrates."

WHEN THE SPIRITUAL MEETS THE PHYSICAL

Two worlds in Collision

They are Currently Bound (in) Under the Euphrates River
(not under water - but under the river)

The Euphrates River

is Considered to be the Most Important River in all of the Bible
by the Fact of its Usage and Frequency in Scripture.

It's Been with us Since... It's **1,780** miles long

Revelation 16:12

Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared.

Why Would These Angels be Bound?
(for a specific wickedness)

Why Would These Angels be Released? (for a specific wickedness)

These Very, Very Wicked Angels

Jude 1:5

But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe. (judgment) :6 And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, (angels have freedom to choose) He has **reserved in everlasting chains** under darkness **for the judgment of the great day**; :7 (explanation) **as Sodom and Gomorrah**, and the cities around them **in a similar manner to these**, (here comes their sin and sin connection to S&G) having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after **strange (heteros) flesh**, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

What Was The Sin of These Fallen Angels?

Genesis 6:1

Now it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born to them, :2 that the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they *were* beautiful; and they **took (mingle with the intent to capture, to steal, to rape,)** wives for themselves of all whom they chose. :3 And the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he *is* indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years." :4 There were giants on the earth in those days, and also after the flood, when the **sons of God (angels) came in to the daughters of men (humans)** and they bore *children* to them. Those *were* the mighty men who *were* of old, men of renown. :5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every intent of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.

It Will Happen Again; Approaching the Tribulation Period

Daniel 2:40

And the fourth kingdom shall be as strong as iron, inasmuch as iron breaks in pieces and shatters everything; and like iron that crushes, *that kingdom* will break in pieces and crush all the others. :41 Whereas you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; yet the strength of the iron shall be in it, just as you saw the iron mixed with ceramic clay. :42 And as the toes of the feet *were* partly of iron and partly of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly fragile. :43 As you saw iron mixed with ceramic clay, they will mingle with the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay. :44 And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed;

There's a demand for judgment...

3rd Divine Judgment is God's Reward

v.15

So the four angels, who had been prepared for **the hour and day and month and year**, were **released to kill** a third of mankind.

Divine Judgment is God's Reward

For all of humanity that is without the covering of Jesus Christ.

Remembering That There are Good Angels and Bad Angels.

Revelation 9:14

the four angels **who are bound** = *these are devilish, fallen angels*

PREPARED

There is a **Calendar Year** that's been Pre-Appointed

PREPARED

There is a **Calendar Month** that's been Pre-Appointed

PREPARED

There is a **Calendar Day** that's been Pre-Appointed

PREPARED

There is a **Specific Hour** that's been Pre-Appointed

Known to God Only, Marked on His Calendar, Is The Year, the Month, the Day and
the Hour = It Will Happen

God Has His Appointments

And God keeps His appointments

Acts 17:31

because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness

2 Peter 2:3

for a long time - judgment has not been idle, and destruction does not slumber.

Divine Judgment is God's Reward

Verse 15

So the four angels, who had been prepared were **released to kill** a third of mankind.

These Horrific Spirit Creatures Have Been Waiting for How Long
To Do Their Mischief ? - A Very Long Time.

These fallen angels stir up an army of demonic combatants
With a great hatred for humanity

WHEN HELL'S ON EARTH

II.) *There's a scene of devastation*

vv. 16-19

1st *A demon Army will come to earth*

v.16

Now the number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million;
I heard the number of them.

2nd *With an Army of Supernatural Powers*

v.17-19

And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses *were like* the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone. **:18** By these three *plagues* a third of mankind was killed— by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which came out of their mouths. **:19** For their power is in their mouth and in their tails; for their tails *are like* serpents, having heads; and with them they do harm.

Ephesians 6

Ephesians 6:10-18

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. **:11** Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. **:12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. **:13** Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. **:14** Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, **:15** and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; **:16** above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. **:17** And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; **:18** praying always...

WHEN HELL'S ON EARTH

III.) There's an act of rebellion

vv. 20-21

1st Mankind's willful independence

v.20

But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, **did not repent of** the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk.

The worship of demons,

idols of gold / idols of silver / idols of brass / idols of stone,
and idols of wood... which can neither see nor hear nor walk.

1 Corinthians 10:20

those things which the Gentiles sacrifice to, they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons. **:21** You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord's table and of the table of demons.

Man-Centered Religion and False Worship
Is what the Cults and Occult are All About.

Psalm 135:15

The idols of the nations *are* silver and gold, The work of men's hands. **:16** They have mouths, but they do not speak; Eyes they have, but they do not see; **:17** They have ears, but they do not hear; Nor is there *any* breath in their mouths. **:18** Those who make them are like them; *So is* everyone who trusts in them.

What Are You Trusting In?

Is it your health – *it is failing!*

Is it your position – *it is failing!*

Is it your money – *it is failing!*

Is it your family – *it is failing!*

Is it your security – *it is failing!*

Is it your freedom – *it is failing!*

Is it America – *it is failing!*

My Descendants Fled from Europe Looking for Religious Freedom
Will I or My Children Flee from America to Look for Religious Freedom?

Matthew 24:35

Heaven and earth will pass away (fail),
THAT'S PRETTY COMPLETE / PRETTY FINAL
but My words will by no means pass away.

There's an act of rebellion

2nd Mankind's ability to justify himself v.21

And they **did not repent** of their murders or their sorceries
or their sexual immorality or their thievery

#1

of their murders = religious murders
can you think of a religious group that is murderous?
The Devaluing of Human Life

#2

of their sorceries = religious sorceries (pharmacia)
can you think of a religious group that is involved in mind altering drugs?
The Increase of Hallucinogenic Drugs = demon gate

#3

of their sexual immorality = religious sexual immorality (pornia)
can you think of a religious group that is sexually immoral?
The Disillusionment of Sexual Order = family breakdown

#4

or of their thievery = religious thievery
can you think of a religious group that is involved in robbing God?
Dishonesty Among Man and upon God

**When You Remove the Bible from Mankind, Mankind
turns Animalistic.**

**When You Remove the Bible from Society,
Government Becomes Tyrannical.**

When You Remove the Bible from Religion, Demonic Doctrines Become Acceptable.

When You Remove the Bible from Your Home, A Family Becomes Self-Centered.

Application Is...

It's the Gospel that Changes People (This Gospel Changed My Life and Yours)
There is no changing a man's life, a man's will, a man's mind, a man's family,
a man's direction outside of the word of God

1 Corinthians 6:9

Don't you know that evil people won't have a share in the blessings of God's kingdom? Don't fool yourselves!
No one who is immoral or worships idols or is unfaithful in marriage or is a pervert or behaves like a
homosexual :10 will share in God's kingdom. Neither will any thief or greedy person or drunkard or anyone
who curses and cheats others. :11 Some of you used to be like that. But now the name of our Lord Jesus
Christ and the power of God's Spirit have washed you and made you holy and acceptable to God.

When England was a Christian Nation,

It had a very wonderful policy regarding those condemned to death.

They preached the gospel to that condemned man, every day for two weeks, 14 days of pure gospel
and then on the day of his execution the man was asked if he'd like to be forgiven of his sins and to
receive the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior?

There's an act of rebellion

2nd Mankind's ability to justify himself – cont. v.21

And they **did not repent** of their murders or their sorceries
or their sexual immorality or their thievery

God Has To Judge The Earth

Luke 17:26

And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: :27 They ate, they drank,
they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came
and destroyed them all. :28 Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they
sold, they planted, they built; :29 but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from
heaven and destroyed *them* all. :30 Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed.

Philippians 3:18

For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, *that they are* the enemies of the
cross of Christ: :19 whose end *is* destruction, whose god *is* their belly, and *whose* glory *is* in their shame—
who set their mind on earthly things.

1 Timothy 6:5

these are people of corrupt minds and **destitute of the truth,**

their sexual immorality

Romans 1:18-28

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of mankind, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, **:19** because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown *it* to them... **:24** Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to **sexual impurity** for the degrading (tearing down) of their bodies with one another. **:25** They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things (sex) rather than the Creator — who is forever praised. Amen. **:26** Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even women exchanged natural sexuality for an unnatural one. **:27** And in the same way the men also abandoned natural use of a women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committing sexually indecent acts with other men, by that, they received inside themselves the due penalty for their perversion. **:28** Furthermore, since they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God within them, God then gave them over to a depraved mind, to do what ought not to be done among themselves.

But They were Religious, But They Lived in Wickedness.

2 Timothy 3:1

But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: **:2** For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, **:3** unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, **:4** traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, **:5** having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

Jude 1:4

For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ...

:11 Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah. **:12** These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving *only* themselves. *They are* clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; **:13** raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever. **:14** Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, **:15** to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him." **:16** These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling *words*, flattering people to gain advantage. **:17** But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ: **:18** how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts. **:19** These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having the Spirit.

They had a False Religion, False Worship, False Church
They Didn't See the Need of Repentance

Why Repent When I Can Just Keep Living the Way I Want to,
And Cover it Up with Religion

END OF STUDY