

The Revelation Chronologically Arranged

Six Trumpets — Chapters 8–9

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In Chapters 8 and 9 we have six trumpets. (8:3-5 records the Lord's first consideration, the care of His suffering godly remnant of the Psalms in their darkest hour.) The "third part" (mentioned 12 times) is the sphere of the Roman earth.

The First Trumpet. Describes devastation on great and small, which suggests "fall-out" ruinous effects.

The Second Trumpet. Describes a great power consuming masses of mankind.

The Third Trumpet. Shows us extreme despair as the result of a great authority depriving the people of their usual sources of livelihood. Suicide may be intimated.

The Fourth Trumpet. We see all authorities smitten with Satanic darkness. Three woe-trumpets follow.

The Fifth Trumpet. Differs from the preceding four as it is limited to the unsealed apostate Jews (in contrast to the godly ones who are sealed in chapter 7) who will be tormented five months by demons and Satanic delusions from the infernal pit.

The Sixth Trumpet. From still further east the Assyrians invade, molest and torment the Roman civilized earth. Here we see the end of modern progress, "Christianized Gentiles" as washed sows rolling in the mire. Nothing will remain to live for but lusts, witchcraft, murder and worship of demons! In our day we see masses of lifeless church members blind to these Scriptures which so graphically describe their future vile end on earth.