

**“THE FALL OF BABYLON” Part 8**  
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**XV. FOUR GREAT HALLELUJAHS**

A. *The hallelujah that starts it: Praise of God’s nature*

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Psa 19:9
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C. *Those closest to the throne respond with affirmation and the third hallelujah*

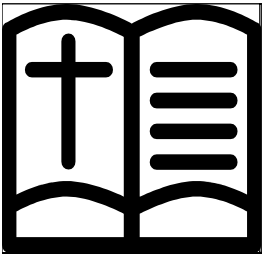
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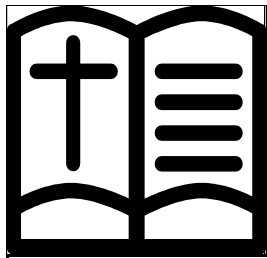
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