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"BEING A RESTORED HUMAN"



"OPENING THE SEVENTH SEAL" REVELATION 8:1-5; SUPPORT SCRIPTURE

- I. THE SEVENTH SEAL IS THE MOST LOADED AND GRIEVOUS SEAL OF THEM ALL
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 - B. The opening of this seal is immediately followed by <u>silence</u> in heaven for half an hour
 - C. The silence is broken by an angel filling a censer with heaven's <u>incense</u> and the <u>prayers</u> of the saints then casting it to earth. The answers to the millennia-long prayers of the saints is beginning
 - D. Seven angels are each given a trumpet that will signal disastrous, deadly judgments against the unbelief of the people on earth
 - 1. The trumpets sound consecutively
 - 2. Each trumpet affects a different part of the earth or heavens, destroying the things that were being destroyed by humans already
 - 3. The seventh trumpet announces the victory and coming of the kingdom of Christ and is the prelude to the quickly consecutive 7 bowls of wrath
 - E. The 7 <u>bowls</u> of wrath destroy the remaining reign of the Gentiles empowered by the "gods" of this age, the kingdoms of this earth.



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- F. This seal includes, as well, the reaping of the earth's believing and unbelieving people, the total destruction of Babylon, the marriage supper of the Lamb, Armageddon and the second coming of Christ, the destruction of the beast and the prophet and the imprisoning of Satan
- II. HEAVEN PREPARES FOR THE OPENING OF THE SEAL Rev. 8:1-5
 - A. The <u>sixth</u> seal had caused a tremendous fearful reaction by the people of earth as they realized the great peril they were in!
 - B. Now, with the opening of the seventh seal, all of heaven has to take a pause for the fearsome solemnity and irreversibility of this seal! The judgment of the cosmos in its finality is happening.
 - C. The completion of the <u>reconciliation</u> is beginning.
 - D. The seven angels that stand before the throne are major players in this final scenario
 - 1. They are the <u>watchers</u> of the counsel who run all over the earth to observe human behavior
 - 2. They have been waiting for this day to bring to justice the things that have <u>defiled</u> the kingdom of God
 - 3. They are given 7 signal trumpets to announce the <u>destruction</u> of earth, phase 2; the end of angelic usurpation; and the end of the <u>times</u> of the <u>Gentiles</u>
 - 4. The <u>prayers</u> of all the saints for centuries are gathered with <u>incense</u>, set ablaze/sent to earth



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