

The Middle of the Week Revelation 10 – 11

Revelation 10 – 11: Introduction

- Back in the Old Testament, in Daniel 9:27, we first observed that a coming prince will make a seven-year agreement with the nation of Israel, perhaps among others.
- In the middle of that “week” he will break his agreement with them.
- We are now at a spot in Revelation where we can begin to see how that “week” is divided.

Revelation 10 – 11: Outline

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The Mighty Angel 10:1-4

- John sees a gigantic, powerful angel.
- When he cries out, seven thunders speak.
- John is not allowed to write down what the seven thunders say.
- Take Away Point: There are some things we just don’t know – and maybe never will.
- Astounding, right? Sometimes we might seem to think so.

The Completion of Mystery 10:5-7

- Take Away Point: Despite what we know or don’t know, God will still accomplish His ultimate plan. Astounding again, right? Again, sometimes we might seem to think so.

John Eats a Little Book 10:8-11

- See these other places in Scripture:
 - Psalm 19:7-11
 - Psalm 119:103
 - Ezekiel 3:1-3
 - Jeremiah 15:16
- Take Away Point: Devour the Word. It gives us what God wants to say to the world.
- Again, we know this, or do we?

The Temple on Earth 11:1-2

- Mental Note: As with Daniel 9, this clearly assumes a literal Temple in Jerusalem.
- There was none in Daniel’s day.
- The rebuilt Temple at the time of Christ saw the fulfillment of Daniel 9:26 and was destroyed by the Romans.
- There was no temple in John’s day either.

Two Witnesses Prophecy 11:3-6

- Many in the early church, and many today, see these two as the literal return of OT prophets.
 - Elijah is a popular choice. Malachi 4:5-6

- Enoch is another. Like Elijah, he also was taken from the earth without dying. Genesis 5:21-24
- Moses is still another, due to the odd circumstances surrounding his death and burial.

Two Witnesses Are Killed 11:7-10

- Take Away Point: The calling of a prophet is not for those who need a lot of affirmation from other people.
- Don't expect such affirmation as a Christian from those outside the church.

Two Witnesses Rise and Ascend 11:11-14

- Take Away Point: God looks out for His people and His prophets and we always remain part of His plan.
- 11:13 These events lead to great revival in the city of Jerusalem.
- Mental Note: Revelation keeps reminding us that God is not yet finished with the people or the nation of Israel.

The Seventh Angel Sounds 11:15-19

- This passage gives us a nice summary of the entire book of Revelation.
- Take Away Point: God Rules.

Revelation 10 – 11: Take Away Points

- There are some things we just don't know – and maybe never will.
- Despite what we know or don't know, God will still accomplish His ultimate plan.
- Devour the Word. It gives us what God wants to say to the world.
- Don't expect much affirmation from the world.
- God looks out for His people and His prophets and we always remain part of His plan.
- God rules.

The Two Halves of the Tribulation		
<i>The First Half</i>		
Item	Time Description	Reference
The Seven Seals *	-	Rev 6:1-17, 8:1
The Seven Trumpets *	-	8:1-9:21, 11:15
The Two Witnesses Prophecy	1260 Days	Rev 11:3
The Temple in Jerusalem Is Rebuilt and Used Again for Sacrifice and Offering	-	Dan 9:27 (implied)
<i>The Middle Point</i>		
Antichrist Breaks His Covenant with the People of Israel	-	Dan 9:27
Antichrist Puts a Stop to Sacrifice and Offering	-	Dan 9:27
Antichrist Desecrates the Temple and Demands to Be Worshiped (The Abomination of Desolation)	-	Dan 9:27 Mat 24:15 2 Thes 2:2-3
The Beast (Antichrist) Kills the Two Witnesses	-	Rev 11:7
The Two Witnesses Lie Dead in the Street While the Whole Earth Rejoices	3 ½ Days	Rev 11:8-10
The Two Witnesses Rise from the Dead and Ascend into Heaven	-	Rev 11:11-12
A Great Earthquake Strikes Jerusalem Killing 7000	-	Rev 11:13
A Great Revival Begins in Israel	-	Rev 11:13
Satan and His Angels Are Cast Out of Heaven Unleashing Great Persecution Against Israel and the Tribulation Saints	-	Rev 12:1-17
The Beast (Antichrist) Is Mortally Wounded, but His Deadly Wound Is Healed	-	Rev 13:3,12,14
The False Prophet Tells Those Who Dwell on the Earth to Make an Image to the Beast	-	Rev 13:14
The False Prophet Gives Breath to the Image of the Beast and Causes as Many as Will Not Worship It to Be Killed	-	Rev 13:15
The False Prophet Introduces the Mark of the Beast	-	Rev 13:16-18
<i>The Second Half: The Great Tribulation</i>		
The Gentiles will Overrun Jerusalem	42 Months	Rev 11:2
The Jewish Remnant Is Protected	1260 Days	Rev 12:6
	A Time and Times and Half a Time	Rev 12:14
The Beast (Antichrist) is Given Authority to Continue	42 Months	Rev 13:5
The Beast Makes War Against the Saints and Overcomes Them	-	Rev 13:7
	A Time and Times and Half a Time	Dan 7:25, 12:7
The Beast Is Given Authority Over Every Tribe Tongue and Nation	-	Rev 13:7
All Who Dwell on the Earth Will Worship the Beast	-	Rev 13:8
The Seven Bowls *	-	Rev 16:1-21

* These items include multiple events. See corresponding tables for further detail.