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The spirit of man leaves the body and goes into eternity

Chapter 9 of the Revelation

Locusts and the plague of the Ma army

Five angels sounded the trumpet: first there were seven seals, followed by seven trumpets

1) The original Four Seals and Four Trumpets show the Judgment against the Earth. In the original Four Seals, the "Four Horsemen" brought tyranny, war, famine, and death to the earth. When the first four trumpets are sounded, the ecology is destroyed, and the vegetation, the ocean, the freshwater and the sky are destroyed.

2) The last three seals focus on heaven: the cry of the martyrs, the disturbance of the universe, and the overture to heaven that blows the seventh trumpet. The last three trumpets will deal with hell and will be related to demonic forces. The fifth and sixth angels blow the trumpet]

1. Five Angel (verses 1~12); Breakthrough Bottomless Mine (1~2 sections); They release locusts that can hurt people (verses 3-10); their king is the messenger of the bottomless pit (verses 11-12)

2. The sixth angel blows the trumpet (vvv.13~21); release the four messengers who were bound to the great river of Euphra (vv.13~14); There were 20,000 horsemen who could kill (vvv.15~19); Those who have not been killed remain unrepentant (vv.20~21)

'Then I saw a star falling from heaven to the earth' (v.1), and the fifth angel sounded his trumpet, and I saw a star falling from heaven to the earth. And the key to the bottomless pit was given to

him. And this key is in God's hands. In Rev. 1:17-18, Jesus makes it clear that fear not! I am the first, I am the last, and I am the one who lives; I have died, and now I am alive again, for ever and ever; And hold the keys of death and the netherworld.

The "key of the bottomless pit" refers to the key of hell, which Christ gave him to open the bottomless pit and allow him to release the demons who were imprisoned, and when the demons came out of the pit, they were covered in a miasma. Locusts came out of the smoke and flew to the ground; To harm those who do not have the mark of God on their foreheads, that is, those who do not believe in God and are not protected by God. God also shows us that those who hurt them and kill them are the evil spirits and demons they themselves worship, and this pain is like the pain of a scorpion sting. Ask for death, so that they will be willing to repent in their suffering. The locusts were shaped like horses ready for battle, and wore a crown of gold on their heads, and a face like a man's face, and hair like a woman's hair, and teeth like a lion's teeth. There was armor on his chest, like iron armor. The sound of their wings was like the sound of many chariots and horses galloping into battle. It has a tail like a scorpion, and the poisonous hook on its tail can hurt people for five months.

The Bottomless Pit: This word means "abyss," referring to the prison that temporarily imprisoned Satan and his attendants; imprison all evil forces against God, angels who sin, false prophets; It is like a fire, and the pain is difficult to describe, which shows that in that kind of pain, people want to die very much. The length of this suffering is 5 months, we can think about it, 5 months has been such an extremely painful time, people will want to commit suicide, but people cannot commit suicide, the human spirit is stored forever, the human spirit is not "people die like a lamp goes out", it is gone, but leave this body and go to eternity, or heaven or hell, and always exist there. Therefore, in hell, the greatest luxury, the least likely thing to pray for, is to die.

A bottomless pit is not the same as a lake of fire.

The bottomless pit is like a prison, a place where unclean spirits, fallen angels, the Antichrist, and Satan are imprisoned for a thousand years.

The lake of fire is a different place from the bottomless pit in that it is God's "eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels." It is a fire of brimstone, tormented day and night for ever and ever. "The lake of fire is the second death. If anyone's name is not written in the book of life, he is thrown into the lake of fire. This is God's punishment for sinners at the Great White Throne Judgment.

Luke 16:The Story of the Rich Man and Lazarus: Verses 22-26: "Between you and me there is a limit to the depths," and the punishment that the rich man endured in the depths of the earth (bottomless pit) was terrible, and there was no way for him to escape. Believers should do their best to preach the gospel and rescue souls.

Together, trumpets 6 and 5 of the five angels warn that if you do not repent, you will go to idolatry, do things that are not pleasing to God, and do all kinds of evil deeds, the wages of sin will be death, and trumpet 6 will be the judgment of death. He who carries out the command of

death is the messenger of the bottomless pit. So everything is under God's control, and the devil can't do anything without God's permission.

The course and end of the Devil's fall are as follows: 1. Cast out from the throne of God. 2. Exiled into exile. 3. Knocked out of the sky. 4. Being thrown to the ground. 5. Thrown into a bottomless pit. 6. Thrown into a lake of fire

The locusts swarm and are God's instruments of judgment. It seems like...... Horse...... Like a golden crown...... It's like a man's face...... Like a woman's hair...... Like a lion's teeth: The repetition of the word "as if" in the scriptures implies a deep meaning and gives the overall impression that it is an unnatural event, extremely cruel and terrifying. The Messenger of the Bottomless Pit: for he is the king of these locusts, and because his name is Abaddon or Apollon; is Satan himself or another high leader of the devil."

The word "man" is "man"; A person's face is intelligent, and it can convey the mind and make people available for it to drive. It is the usual technique of false teachers, who first use their voice to convince people, and then put on a posture of spiritual authority to win over a group of people who follow them with all their hearts. There is also a group of ill-intentioned people in the church who look like people in front of everyone but act recklessly behind the scenes, which is really a typical "hypocrite" (Matthew 23:27~28). "Hair like a woman's hair": means that appearance can attract people and make people deceived, "There is armor on their chests, like iron armor": it means that people cannot hurt them, "The sound of their wings is like the sound of many chariots and horses galloping into battle": it means that their sound is terrifying, and they make people submit without a fight. Some are so famous that young Christians today are fond of worshipping spiritual idols, just like secular "fans."

## Trumpet 6: Army of Destruction.

And the sixth angel sounded his trumpet, and I heard a voice coming out of the four corners of the golden altar before God, to put the blood of atonement upon the four corners of the altar. Command the sixth angel who sounded the trumpet, "Release the four angels who were bound to the great river Euphrates." "

Most of Satan's angels are still free, but some high-ranking angels who have committed terrible sins have been bound up. Satan was set free in bondage..... to kill one-third of the killing. The demonic locusts described earlier in this chapter are restrained and can only torment humans. However, these four emissaries had the right to carry out mass slaughter. "Until a certain year, a certain month, a certain day, and a certain time, "ready" can be used by God, and believers who have a desire to serve God have a time for everything, and everything is carried out in the time appointed by God, and when the time comes, it will be fulfilled. And the Lord Jesus said unto them, My time has not yet come; May we learn to wait on God's time.

These angels have a specific range of activities and can only come out to move during the time that God has ordained. They carry out God's will within the time God has ordained.

In 8:7-12 In God's fourth trumpet, the judgment is made on the grass, the sea, the water, and the stars, which are natural and have an effect on man, and when the water becomes bitter, many people die.

By chapter 9, the judgment comes directly to the human body, and the person who does not have the seal of God on his forehead, we know that when we are born again in the Holy Spirit, in the Holy Spirit, God seals and seals, and we are children of God, which is New Testament Christians. Here, too, Revelation 9:4: God will judge those who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads, even those who have no seal. Who is truly God's is known not only to God and angels, but also to demons (Acts 19:15); The most important question is, do we actually carry the "mark of Jesus" on our bodies? The idolaters are obsessed with ghosts and poisoned, and despite the catastrophe, they are still obsessed with it. Very few people who fall into heretical sects can wake up suddenly. The reason why people refuse to worship the true God is because they trust "their own hands" too much, and the proud people think that "man prevails over heaven" and would rather rely on the products of human hands than on the hand of God.

The passage in Revelation 9 gives us great encouragement. Everything we experience and witness is in God's plan, even what is bad and evil in the eyes of man is in God's plan. Today, we are living in hardship, and do not fear the enemy! First, the enemy will kill each other; Second, God is in control, and our lives are in God's hands! Just keep following God, put on white clothes, and God will be with us!

May we take this as a warning that we will see these accounts today, saying, "Lord, I will repent, and I will accept it, and I will repent and receive God's forgiveness of sins while there is still time on this earth."

## Let's pray:

Abba Heavenly Father, Psalm 29:10-11 declares: The Lord sits down as King in the time of the flood; The LORD sits as king forever. and the LORD will give strength unto his people; The LORD will bless his people with peace. Thank God for giving us such a promise that we can be re-energized by the hope of eternal life through Him. Praise the Lord!

In the holy name of Jesus Christ. amen

## **Revelation 9**

9:1 The fifth angel blew the trumpet, and I saw a star falling from heaven to the earth. and a spoon of the bottomless pit was given unto him.

9:2 He opened a bottomless pit, and smoke rose from the pit, like the smoke of a great fire. The sun and the sky were darkened by this smoke.

9:3 there were locusts that came out of the smoke and flew to the ground . There is power given to them, like the power of a scorpion on the ground.

9:4 And he commanded them, saying, Do not harm the grass of the ground, or any kind of green thing, and every tree, but only those who have no sign of God on it.

9:5 But the locusts are not allowed to kill them, but to make them suffer for five months. This pain is like the pain of a scorpion stinging a man.

9:6 In those days men will die and will not die . willing to die, but to die but to avoid them.

9:7 The form of the locusts was like that of a horse ready for battle, and the crown of gold was on its head, and its face was like that of a man.

9:8 Her hair was like a woman's hair, and her teeth were like the teeth of a lion.

9:9 there is armor on the chest , like iron armor . The sound of their wings was like the sound of many horses galloping up and running.

9:10 There are tails like scorpions . A poison hook on the tail can hurt a person for five months.

9:11 There are messengers of the bottomless pit to be their kings . In Hebrew, the name is Abadon, and in Greek, it is called Abolom.

9:12 The first calamity is gone, and there are two more to come.

9:13 And the sixth angel sounded the trumpet, and I heard a voice coming out of the four corners of the golden altar before God.

9:14 And he commanded the sixth angel who sounded the trumpet, saying, Release the four messengers who were bound to the great river Euphrat.

9:15 the four messengers were released . They were prepared to kill one-third of a person at a certain time in such and such a month .

9:16 the malay army had 20,000. I heard their numbers.

9:17 And I saw in the vision the horses and the riders with armor like fire and on the breasts of the horses, and with onyx and brimstone. The horse's head was like a lion's head, with fire, and smoke, and brimstone, and came out of the horse's mouth.

9:18 The fire that came out of the mouth, and the smoke, and the brimstone, killed one-third of the man.

9:19 The horse's strength is in the mouth and in the tail . for the tail is like a serpent, and has a head to harm men.

9:20 The rest of those who have not been slain by these plagues have not repented of what their hands have done, and have gone to worship demons, and those who cannot see, nor hear, nor walk, gold, and silver, and brass, and wood, and stone, of the idols.

9:21 and they repent not of their murder, and of sorcery, of adultery, and of theft.

The ninth chapter of the book of Revelation describes the fifth and sixth trumpets sounded by the fifth and sixth angels. When the fifth trumpet is sounded, a star falls from the sky and is given the key to open the bottomless pit. The pit was opened, and smoke and locusts came out. These locusts were granted the power to be able to harm humans within five months, but they were not allowed to harm those who had the mark of God on their foreheads.

When the sixth trumpet was sounded, four angels were released from the Euphrates, freeing an army of twenty million cavalry. They killed a third of humanity with plague and fire, and the rest refused to repent of their sins.

Despite the destruction and destruction brought about by the trumpet, the people still refused to repent and turn to God. Chapter 9 serves as a warning of the coming judgment and emphasizes the importance of repentance and faith in God.

The key verses of the ninth chapter of the book of Revelation are in the Chinese version in the Sum Version.

1. Revelation 9:1-2 - And the fifth angel sounded his trumpet, and I saw a star falling from heaven to earth, and the key of the bottomless pit was given to him. And when he opened the bottomless pit, smoke rose up from the pit, like the smoke of a great furnace, and the sun and the sky were darkened by it.

2. Revelation 9:3-4 - And locusts came out of smoke and flew to the earth, and power was given to them, as the power of a scorpion on the earth. And he commanded them, "Thou shalt not harm the grass of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree, but he that does not have the mark of God on his forehead." "

3. Revelation 9:20-21 - And the remnant who did not die in these plagues have not repented of the work of their hands, and have not worshiped idols of gold, silver, brass, wood, and stone, nor have they repented of their sins of murder, sorcery, adultery, and theft.

Revelation chapter 9 goes on to describe the events of the end times and God's judgment, especially the sounding of the fifth and sixth trumpets. This chapter deals with the release of demons, the haunting of evil spirits, and the spiritual condition of man. Here are some of the highlights of the theological implications, theological thinking, and spiritual implications of chapter 9:

Demonic Unleashing: Describes a demon being freed from the abyss that leads other evil spirits and brings disaster and suffering to humanity. This symbolizes the influence of sin and the activities of Satan.

Pain and Distress: Describes the pain and distress caused by evil spirits to humanity, but people do not repent and still persist in their sinful deeds. This emphasizes the blindness of sin and the obsession of human beings.

Spiritual Blinding: Describes human beings who are plagued by evil spirits but have no will to repent. This expresses the blindness and spiritual blindness of humanity in sin.

God's Judgment and Warning: God's judgment does not stop despite the torment of mankind by evil spirits. This chapter emphasizes God's judgment on sin and is also a warning to humanity to turn back and repent.

Revelation of the End Times: describes the events of the end times, including the release of demons, the spiritual condition of humanity, and the judgment of God. This chapter emphasizes the dilemmas of the last days and the need for spiritual vigilance for believers.

In terms of theological thought and spiritual influence, Revelation chapter 9 emphasizes the effects of sin, the activities of Satan, and the spiritual condition of humanity. This chapter reminds us that the consequences of sin are pain and distress, and that human distress also shows the gravity of sin. At the same time, it also calls humanity to repent and turn to God for salvation and mercy. While this chapter describes the dilemmas of the last days, it also reminds us that God's judgment is just, and that He will demonstrate His sovereignty and justice in the last days. This chapter also inspires in believers an alertness to sin and a desire for God's salvation.