

### Discussion Questions & Application:

1. Revelation speaks directly & indirectly about God's sovereignty. How has understanding that helped you face trials & tribulations? What verses help you with this? Memorize several this week.
2. In Rev. 9:1-12, demons torment unbelievers on earth (the very people that worship them) for 5 months but are not permitted to kill them. What does that tell you about the nature of demons (see John 8:44; 1 Jn. 3:11, 12, 15)? What does that tell you about the nature of man? Use Scripture to support your viewpoint.
3. What is the significance of the Euphrates river to Israel? Which countries are on the East side? What had the four angels bound at the river been unable to do until this time? If this is what demons want to do, why do people worship them (directly or indirectly)? See 2 Cor. 4:3-4; 11:14-15; Acts 26:16-18.
4. The 200 million horses & horsemen kill 1/3 of the unbelievers on earth. Assuming a world population of 8 billion, how many people have died so far during the seal and trumpet judgments? Why doesn't God just judge all the unbelievers at once? Why is He spreading it out over 7 years? What does this tell you about the nature of God? See Ex. 34:6-7; Ezek. 18:32; Acts 3:19; Mt. 4:17; 2 Pet. 3:9; Acts 17:30; Prov. 28:13; Mt. 3:2.
5. Read 1 Cor. 10:1-14. The failure of the children of Israel in the wilderness is supposed to be an example for us. What specific things should we avoid? What specific forms of idolatry or immorality are a problem in our culture? In your life?
6. God clearly is patient, gracious & compassionate toward rebellious sinners. Meditate upon these truths and ask God to give you His heart for lost people. Make a list of neighbors that don't know Jesus, pray for them and seek opportunities to tell them about Jesus.
7. Get the Summer Nights at the Bridge fliers and invite 10 people to join you on July 16, 23, & 30. Pray that God will open their eyes to the gospel. Go to one or more of the weekly outreach opportunities associated with Summer Nights. July 20<sup>th</sup> = After Church @ The Park (Balboa Lake Park).

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Rev. 9:13-21

### **“The Things Which Will Take Place” – Part 13 “The Sixth Trumpet: Brazen Idolaters”**

- I. The Things Which You Have Seen (1)
- II. The Things Which Are (2-3)
- III. The Things Which Will Take Place After These Things (4-22)**
  - A. Vision of Heaven (4-5)
  - B. Opening of the Seven Seals (6:1-8:1)
  - C. Sounding of the Seven Trumpets (8:2-11:19)**
    1. The Setting: The Prayers of the Saints (8:2-6)
    2. Trumpet #1: Burnt Earth (8:7)
    3. Trumpet #2: Bloody Sea (8:8-9)
    4. Trumpet #3: Bitter Water (8:10-11)
    5. Trumpet #4: Blackened Heavens (8:12-13)
    6. Trumpet #5 (Woe #1): Barbaric Locust Demons (9:1-12)
    7. **Trumpet #6 (Woe #2): Brazen Idolaters (9:13-21)**
      - a. **The Release of Demons (13-14)**

<sup>13</sup> Then the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, <sup>14</sup> one saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, “Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.”

### **b. The Return of Death (15-19)**

<sup>15</sup> And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind. <sup>16</sup> The number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them. <sup>17</sup> And this is how I saw in the vision the horses and those who sat on them: *the riders* had breastplates *the color* of fire and of hyacinth and of brimstone; and the heads of the horses are like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths proceed fire and smoke and brimstone. <sup>18</sup> A third of mankind was killed by these three plagues, by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which proceeded out of their mouths. <sup>19</sup> For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents and have heads, and with them they do harm.

### **c. The Response of Defiance / Repentance Declined (20-21)**

<sup>20</sup> The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; <sup>21</sup> and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.

#### **1) Idolatry (20)**

#### **2) Immorality (21)**

**So What?**