

Revelation 8:1~13

Introduction:

The Seventh Seal consists of seven trumpets, four of which are sounded in this chapter.

- I. The Events Preceding The Trumpet Blowing (8:1-5)
 - A. The **Pause** (8:1): There is a 30-minute silence in heaven at the opening of the seventh seal.
 - B. The **Prayers** (8:2-4): An angel offers up much incense on the golden altar to represent the prayers of the saints.
 - C. The **Preview** (8:5): A sample of the frightful punishment to come is seen as the angel casts fire from his censer upon the earth.
- II. The Events Accompanying The Trumpet Blowing (8:6-13)
 - A. First Trumpet (8:6-7): One-third of the trees and grass are burned by hail and fire mixed with **blood**.
 - B. Second Trumpet (8:8-9): One-third of the marine life and ships are destroyed by a burning object that falls into the waters.
 - C. Third Trumpet (8:10-11): One-third of the fresh waters are poisoned by a falling object named “Wormwood” (Bitter, poison), killing many people.
 - D. Fourth Trumpet (8:12-13)
 1. The Action (8:12): One third of the **sun**, moon and stars are darkened.
 2. The Aftermath (8:13): A flying eagle now warns the earth with regard to the final three judgements.