

THERE SHALL BE DELAY NO LONGER Studies in the Revelation

THE ETERNAL QUESTION:

O LORD, God of vengeance, God of vengeance, shine forth! Rise up, O Judge of the earth, render recompense to the proud. How long shall the wicked, O LORD, How long shall the wicked exult? They pour forth words, they speak arrogantly; all who do wickedness vaunt themselves. They crush Your people, O LORD, and afflict Your heritage. They slay the widow and the stranger and murder the orphans. They have said, "The LORD does not see, nor does the God of Jacob pay heed."

Psalm 94:1-7

THE ETERNAL ANSWER:

A look to Jesus: His Appearance

I saw another strong angel coming down out of heaven, (1) clothed with a cloud; and the (2) rainbow was upon his head, and (3) his face was like the sun, and (4) his feet like pillars of fire.

Revelation 10:1

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands; and in the middle of the lampstands I saw one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash. His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire. His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been made to glow in a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters. In His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength.

Revelation 1:12-16

A look to Jesus: What He did

And he had in his hand a little book which was (what) open. He placed his right foot on the sea and his left on the land; and he cried out with a loud voice, as when a lion roars; and when he had cried out, the seven peals of thunder uttered their voices." Revelation 10:2-3

"Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.

Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt. Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book (how long) until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase." Daniel 12:1-4

Question:

**What are the seven peals of thunder?
And what did they say?**

A look to John: What John could and could not write

When the seven peals of thunder had spoken, I was about to write; and I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Seal up the things which the seven peals of thunder have spoken and do not write them."

Revelation 10:4

When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. And He placed His right hand on me, saying, "Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades. Therefore write the things which (1) you have seen, and (2) the things which are, and (3) the things which will take place after these things."

Revelation 1:17-20

A look to John: The vow he witnessed

Then the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land lifted up his right hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, WHO CREATED HEAVEN AND THE THINGS IN IT, AND THE EARTH AND THE THINGS IN IT, AND THE SEA AND THE THINGS IN IT, that there will be delay no longer, but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then the mystery of God is finished, as He preached to His servants the prophets.

Revelation 10:5-7

Question:

What is the mystery of God that is to be finished?

Friday: "Well, but you say God is so strong, so great, is He not much strong, much might as the devil?"

Robinson Crusoe: "Yes, yes. God is much stronger than the devil."

Friday: But, if God much strong, much might as the devil, why God not kill the devil?"

A look to John: The results of proclaiming the truth

Then the voice which I heard from heaven, I heard again speaking with me, and saying, "Go, take the book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the land." So I went to the angel, telling him to give me the little book. And he said to me, "Take it and eat it; it will make (1) your stomach bitter, but in (2) your mouth it will be sweet as honey." I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and in my mouth it was sweet as honey; and when I had eaten it, my stomach was made bitter.

Revelation 10:8-10

"Now you, son of man, listen to what I am speaking to you; do not be rebellious like that rebellious house. Open your mouth and eat what I am giving you." Then I looked, and behold, a hand was extended to me; and lo, a scroll was in it. When He spread it out before me, it was written on the front and back, and written on it were (1) lamentations, (2) mourning and (3) woe. Then He said to me, "Son of man, eat what you find; eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel." So I opened my mouth, and He fed me this scroll. He said to me, "Son of man, feed your stomach and fill your body with this scroll which I am giving you." Then I ate it, and it was sweet as honey in my mouth. Then He said to me, "Son of man, go to the house of Israel and speak with My words to them."

Ezekiel 2:8 – 3:5

A look to John: The continuation of the ministry

And they said to me, "You must prophesy again concerning many peoples and nations and tongues and kings."

Revelation 10:11

Question:

How long will the Lord allow the wicked to prosper?

Answer:

There shall be delay no longer!