



# ~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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## Prayer

God Father; in Jesus’ name I ask it, Lord You said there would be signs, let us all always be ready. I ask that our discernment is increased. I pray increase our wisdom, knowledge , intelligence, and understanding. Let us not grow weary in these days. I ask that all of us always have our needs met and we are blessed with our daily bread, so that we are enabled and able to bless whomever You tell us to. Give us all peace. Protect us and keep us, in Jesus’ name. Amen.

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## Scripture

### Revelations 8 ( 2005)

#### Revelation 8:1-13 (AMP)

- <sup>1</sup>WHEN HE [the Lamb] broke open the seventh seal, there was silence for about half an hour in heaven.
- <sup>2</sup>Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.
- <sup>3</sup>And another angel came and stood over the altar. He had a golden censer, and he was given very much incense (fragrant spices and gums which exhale perfume when burned), that he might mingle it with the prayers of all the people of God (the saints) upon the golden altar before the throne.
- <sup>4</sup>And the smoke of the incense (the perfume) arose in the presence of God, with the prayers of the people of God (the saints), from the hand of the angel.
- <sup>5</sup>So the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and cast it upon the earth. Then there followed peals of thunder *and* loud rumblings and blasts *and* noises, and flashes of lightning and an earthquake.
- <sup>6</sup>Then the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to sound them.
- <sup>7</sup>The first angel blew [his] trumpet, and there was a storm of hail and fire mingled with blood cast upon the earth. And a third part of the earth was burned up and a third of the trees was burned up and all the green grass was burned up.
- <sup>8</sup>The second angel blew [his] trumpet, and something resembling a great mountain, blazing with fire, was hurled into the sea.
- <sup>9</sup>And a third of the sea was turned to blood, a third of the living creatures in the sea perished, and a third of the ships were destroyed.
- <sup>10</sup>The third angel blew [his] trumpet, and a huge star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it dropped on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water—
- <sup>11</sup>And the name of the star is Worm wood. A third part of the waters was changed into worm wood, and many people died from using the water, because it had become bitter.
- <sup>12</sup>Then the fourth angel blew [his] trumpet, and a third of the sun was smitten, and a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that [the light of] a third of them was darkened, and a third of the daylight [itself] was withdrawn, and likewise a third [of the light] of the night was kept from shining.
- <sup>13</sup>Then I [looked and I] saw a solitary eagle flying in midheaven, and as it flew I heard it crying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the rest of the trumpet blasts which the three angels are about to sound!

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**Revelation 8. The First Four Trumpets**

The seventh seal contains the terrible plagues of the seven trumpets, which are even more horrible than those of the first six seals. And the last three trumpets bring such disaster on the earth that they are called "woes" ( v. 13 ). When the seventh seal was opened, there was a "silence in heaven for about half an hour," as if something momentous were going to happen at any moment. Then the trumpet blasts.

**The Prayers of the Saints, Revelation 8:3-6**

In Revelation 6:10 we hear the saints crying out in a loud voice under the altar in heaven, "How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?" Here we see an angel (Jesus) offering incense and acting as a mediator between God and man. The smoke of the incense rises up before God from the hand of Jesus—the prayers of the saints are answered and judgment is prepared. Jesus takes fire from the heavenly altar and casts it to the earth, and "there came peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning and an earthquake" ( 8:5 ). Some believe that the angel in this vision is Jesus Christ. They quote the apostle Paul—who tells us that "there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men—the testimony given in its proper time" ( 1 Timothy 2:5-6 )—as their evidence.

**The First Four Trumpets, Revelation 8:7-12**

These appear to be a fuller representation of the "four winds" of the "wrath of the Lamb" ( 6:16-7:3 ), held back until the servants of God were sealed but now ready to be unleashed:

- A third of the earth and its vegetation are burned
- A third of the sea becomes incapable of sustaining life and shipping
- A third of the world's fresh water supply becomes poisonous

The sun, moon, and stars are struck, and the regular cycle of day and night is changed: a day will be only 16 hours. Some take the trumpets to be symbolic, but most futurist interpreters understand these trumpets to represent literal convulsions of nature that occur during the reign of the Antichrist.

"Woe, Woe, Woe," Revelation 8:13

John hears an angel flying through heaven saying, "Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the trumpet blasts about to be sounded by the other three angels!" It's a warning that the worst is yet to come. This is in alignment with what we know about the tribulation period from Daniel 9, where he describes the 70th week. Here we learn that the first 3½ years of the tribulation ("the beginning of birth pains," Matthew 24:8) will not be as horrible as the final 3½ years ("for then there will be great distress unequalled from the beginning of time until now," Matthew 24:21).

(Halley's Bible Handbook, Henry Halley; 2000; Zondervan; Bible History & Commentaries; Pages 934-936)



The Trumpet Judgments: V2 These seven angels are perhaps the archangels. Gabriel and Michael are two of the archangels. VV3-5 The ceremonies in the tabernacle were patterned on the heavenly ceremonies. VV 7-11 These catastrophic events resemble environmental pollution. (New Testament Study Guide; The Word For Today; Chuck Smith; 2005; Commentaries; Page 197)



Happy is the man whom God correcteth. Job 5:17.

Happy, because the correction is designed to bring him into paths of blessedness and peace.

Happy, because there is no unnecessary severity in it.

Happy, because the chastisement is not so much against us, as against our most cruel enemies—our sins.

Happy, because we have abundant words of consolation.

Happy, because whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth.

Happy, because our light affliction is but for a moment.

Thoughts for the Quiet Hour.—George Bowen

## For The Coming of His Son

*"[Be] ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their LORD." (Luke 12:36). "Until the appearing of our LORD Jesus Christ: which in its own times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and LORD of lords." (1 Timothy 6:14-15) (ASV). "Turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; and to wait for his Son from heaven." (1 Thessalonians 1:9-10)* Waiting on God in heaven, and waiting for His Son from heaven—these two God has joined together, and no man may put them asunder. The Waiting on God for His presence and power in daily life will be the only true preparation for waiting for Christ in humility and true holiness. The waiting for Christ coming from heaven to take us to heaven will give the Waiting on God its true tone of hopefulness and joy. The Father, who, in His own time, will reveal His Son from heaven, is the God who, as we wait on Him, prepares us for the revelation of His Son. The present life and the coming glory are inseparably connected in God and in us. There is sometimes a danger of separating them. It is always easier to be engaged with the Christianity of the past or the future than to be faithful in the Christianity of today. As we look to what God has done in the past, or will do in time to come, the personal claim of present duty and present submission to His working may be avoided. Waiting on God must always lead to waiting for Christ as the glorious consummation of His work. And, waiting for Christ must always remind us of the duty of waiting upon God as our only proof that the waiting for Christ is in spirit and in truth. There is such a danger of our being more occupied with *the things* that are coming than *with Him* who is to come. There is such scope in the study of coming events for imagination and reason and human ingenuity, that nothing but deeply humble Waiting on God can save us from mistaking the interest and pleasure of intellectual study for the true love of Him and His appearing. All you who say you wait for Christ's coming, be sure that you wait on God now. All you who seek to wait on God now to reveal His Son in you, see to it that you do so as men waiting for the revelation of His Son from heaven. The hope of that glorious appearing will strengthen you in waiting upon God for what He is to do in you now. The same omnipotent love that is to reveal that glory is working in you even now to prepare you for it. "The blessed hope and appearing of the glory of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ", is one of the great bonds of union given to God's church throughout the ages. "He shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at in all them that believed". Then, we will all meet, and the unity of the body of Christ will be seen in its divine glory. It will be the meeting place and the triumph of divine love. Jesus receiving His own and presenting them to the Father. His own meeting Him and worshiping, in speechless love, that blessed face. His own meeting each other in the ecstasy of God's own love. Let us wait, long for, and love the appearing of our LORD and heavenly Bridegroom. Tender love to Him and tender love to each other is the true and only bridal spirit. I am very afraid that this is sometimes forgotten. A beloved brother in Holland was speaking about the expectancy of faith being the true sign of the bride. I ventured to express a doubt. An unworthy bride, about to be married to a prince, might only be thinking of the position and the riches that she was to receive. The expectancy of faith might be strong and true love utterly lacking. It is not when we are most occupied with prophetic subjects, but when in humility and love we are clinging close to our LORD and His followers, that we are in the bride's place. Jesus refuses to accept our love except as it is love to His disciples. Waiting for His coming means waiting for the glorious coming manifestation of the unity of the body, while we seek here to maintain that unity in humility and love. Those who love most are the most ready for His coming. Love to each other is the life and beauty of His bride, the Church. And how is this to be brought about? Beloved child of God, if you want to learn how to properly wait for His Son from heaven, live even now Waiting on God in heaven. Remember how Jesus lived ever Waiting on God. He could do nothing of Himself. It was God who perfected His Son through suffering and then exalted Him. It is God alone who can give you the deep spiritual life of one who is really waiting for His Son: wait on God for it. Waiting for Christ Himself is so different from waiting for things that may come to pass! The latter any Christian can do; the former, God must work in you every day by His Holy Spirit. Therefore, all you who wait on God, look to Him for grace to wait for His Son from heaven in the Spirit which is from heaven. And, you who want to wait for His Son, wait on God continually to reveal Christ in you. The revelation of Christ in us, as it is given to them who wait upon God, is the true preparation for the full revelation of Christ in glory.

*"My soul, wait thou only upon God!"*

Waiting on God.—Andrew Murray

(Word 9 Software; Bibles; Old Pastor Sermons; Dictionary; Concordance; Lectures; History; 2005)

(Everyday Life Bible; Amplified; 2005; Joyce Meyers; Scripture; commentaries; Dict.; pages 2133 -2134)

**Psa 119:105**

**Thy word [is] a lamp unto  
my feet, and a light unto my path.**



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