

"Two Witnesses and the Second Woe"
Revelation 11

Question: What was John given and what was he told to do? V. 1

Answer:

Note: This is the first time an earthly _____ is mentioned in Revelation and most likely speaks of _____ that was rebuilt under the "man of peace" (Rev. 6:2).

Question: What is the purpose of measuring?

Answer: _____.

1. It could indicate something _____.
[My choice]

2 Kings 21:13 –

2. It could signify _____, as in God's possession and protection. Cp. Ezekiel 41 and 44 [the measuring of the third temple]

Zech. 2:1-5 –

Question: There is an exclusion, however. What is it? Why? V. 2

Answer:

Cp. w/Daniel 8:13

Cf. Luke 21:24

Note: The court of the Gentile was given to them as a place of _____, but they are not worshipping, they are _____.

Question: What is 42 months equal to in years?

Answer: _____ (approximately).

Cp. w/Daniel 7:25

Cp. w/ Daniel 9:27

Cp. w/ Daniel 12:7

The _____ believes that this has to do with the true church and false institutional church.

The _____ believes this is a symbolic view of true Jews and false Jews during the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70

The _____ believes that this is to be taken literally. Jerusalem will be trampled by the Gentiles for 3.5 years [the latter part of the 7-year period] and those worshipping in the holy place are those worshipping in old Jewish ritualism or the Antichrist, not God.

The _____ views this symbolically. The temple represents the true church. The Court of the Gentiles represents the visible church who are unbelievers. Forty-two months is simply a limited time.

Question: What does John see next? V. 3

Answer:

Question: Who are the two witnesses?

Answer:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Question: Why two?

Answer:

Cf. Deut. 17:6; 19:15; Mt. 18:16

Question: What is their main task?

Answer: To _____ – to speak to the people on behalf of God.

Question: How long is this ministry?

Answer:

Note: This could be the first three and half years, the last three and half years, or somewhere in between.

Question: What is the nature of their prophetic ministry?

Answer: It has to with public _____ or grieving because “sackcloth” is their prophetic clothing – a call for _____.

Question: What are the three Old Testament descriptions given to them? V. 4

Answer:

See Zechariah 4:11-14 –

Note: From this passage both Preterists and Idealists see the two witnesses (Joshua and Zerubbabel) representing the _____ or civil and the _____ or religious government of God.

Question: What power is given to them? Vv. 5 -6

Answer:

Cp. w/ 1 Kings 17:1

Cp w/ 2 Kings 1:10

Cp. w/Exodus 7:14-18

Cp. w/Jeremiah 5:14

Cp. w/Jeremiah 23:29

Question: What will happen to the two witnesses? V. 7

Answer:

Note: This is the first time that John mentions a _____ coming out of the Abyss.

Question: Where will this take place? V. 8

Answer:

Describe what happens to their bodies? Vv. 9-12

Answer:

v. 9

Note: During John's day, to not bury the dead, even of your enemies, was a social _____ and _____. Cf. Deuteronomy 21:22-23 and 1 Sam. 31:8-13. This is not only a Jewish issue but also Greek (pagan), Cp. the Sophoclean Greek tragedy of *Antigone*.

Note: In John's day, this prophetic multi-national viewing would have likely taken place on one of the major _____. Cp. Acts 2:5-12.

However, with modern _____, i.e. television, internet, we can live stream events from all over the world.

v. 10

Cp. w/9:10 – This is a different word but of the same meaning. The demons _____ mankind and they curse God. The two prophets call people back to God, to give them hope, and they celebrate when they are killed.

Remember that in all probability, this takes place at the end of the birth pangs, the end of the Seal judgments, where the Antichrist, i.e. the Beast, breaks the peace treaty and goes after anyone who does not worship him. Chapter 9 is during the Trumpet judgments. The point is that they celebrate like _____ because these two witnesses for God are dead.

v. 11

Note: The word for "breath" is the word, "_____."

Note: _____ is sinful humanity's greatest fear – of killing and not staying dead; of dying and coming back to life.

v. 12

Note: This is the same language of _____ found in 4:1.

Note: This process of ascension is closely associated with _____ in Acts 1:9.

Question: What accompanied this ascension? V. 13

Answer:

Question: Chapter 9 verse 1 tells us that the fifth trumpet is the first "woe." What "woe" has just been completed beginning in 9:13? V. 14.

Answer:

Question: When the seventh angel blows his trumpet what happens? V.15

Answer:

Question: What does this mean?

Answer: It means that with the blowing of the 7th trumpet or 1st Bowl, a _____ will be taking place. The Kingdom of Satan will become the Kingdom of God on earth. The 7th trumpet or 1st Bowl judgment will be announced in chapter 15 and executed in chapter 16. God must introduce the _____ first.

What was the response of the 24 elders in heaven to this news? Vv. 16-18.

v. 16 They fell on their faces and _____ God.

v. 17 They offered him _____ because He is going to begin his reign on earth.

v. 18a The nations were _____ and your _____ has come.

v. 18b The time for _____ the dead and _____ the prophets and you saints has come.

v. 18c The time for _____ those who destroy the earth (by their sinful exploitation of it and their rejection of its Creator).

Question: What did John see next? V. 19

Answer:

Question: Why would God reveal the ark to John?

Answer: It represents the _____ of God for his people. It represents _____ to those who would humbly come to it for forgiveness. It represents _____ or the covering of sin. It represents the _____ (broken and restored). It represents _____ on all who reject Him. It represents _____ on earth (Aaron's rod). It represents _____ (jar of manna). It represents _____ but now, in heaven, appears.