

The First Four Trumpet Judgments

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7 The first [angel] blew his trumpet, and hail and fire, mixed with blood, were hurled to the earth. So a third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.
8 The second angel blew his trumpet, and something like a great mountain ablaze with fire was hurled into the sea. So a third of the sea became blood,



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9 a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

10 The third angel blew his trumpet, and a great star, blazing like a torch, fell from heaven. It fell on a third of the rivers and springs of water.



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11 The name of the star is Wormwood, and a third of the waters became wormwood. So, many of the people died from the waters, because they had been made bitter.

12 The fourth angel blew his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day was without light, and the night as well.



1. The First Trumpet: A Fierce Storm

7 The first [angel] blew his trumpet, and hail and fire, mixed with blood, were hurled to the earth. So a third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.

A violent storm will brew someplace on the earth, a storm more violent than any storm ever seen before. The storm will rain hail that looks like fire mingled with blood. The reddish color will no doubt be a mixture of sand blown up into the clouds by some of the most fierce winds ever seen by man.



2. The Second Trumpet: Volcanic Eruptions

8 The second angel blew his trumpet, and something like a great mountain ablaze with fire was hurled into the sea. So a third of the sea became blood,

This will probably be some unparallel volcanic explosion either from underneath the sea or else close to the sea. The explosion will apparently be as forceful as an atomic explosion, forceful enough to explode a mass of rock as large as a mountain into some ocean.



3. The Third Trumpet: A Meteorite

10 The third angel blew his trumpet, and a great star, blazing like a torch, fell from heaven. It fell on a third of the rivers and springs of water.

This will apparently be some huge meteor that explodes before it hits the earth. It will scatter over one third of the world. The pieces and particles that fall into the rivers and springs of water will drastically affect the water systems in that part of the world. It will actually poison the water, and before men become aware of it, many will die from drinking the water



4. The Fourth Trumpet: Astronomical Event

12 The fourth angel blew his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day was without light, and the night as well.



Some kind of unusual eclipse is going to happen in the heavens.

Woe!

The picture is this: God has had enough. It is time to stop all the evil and murderous behavior of people. He is ready to end the world and send Christ back to earth to establish righteousness upon earth forever.

How Long Will God's Longsuffering Continue?



Why?

- Whatever is meant, these events will be a judgment, a plague of God's. He will be behind the event, striking fear in the *ungodly* and *evil* of this world. God will have two purposes: to lead men to repent and, if they refuse, to judge them for all the evil and ungodly acts against His name and His people.



- The same is true today