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## Rev 8:5-11:19 Chiastic Structure

8:5-11:19 The SERIES OF SEVEN TRUMPETS completes the defeat of Medieval Rome;

- **1A)** 8:5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire from the altar, and cast it to the earth: and there were **VOICES**, and **THUNDERINGS**, and **LIGHTNINGS**, and an **EARTHQUAKE**; [*i.e.*, **INTRODUCTION TO THE SEVEN TRUMPETS SERIES**];
  - 1B) 8:6-12 And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound. 7 The FIRST ANGEL SOUNDED, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast on the earth; and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up. 8 And the SECOND ANGEL SOUNDED, and a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea; and the third part of the sea became blood; 9 and the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed. 10 And the THIRD ANGEL SOUNDED, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as a lamp, and it fell on the third part of the rivers, and on the fountains of waters; 11 and the name of the star is called Wormwood. And the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died from the waters, because they were made bitter. 12 And the FOURTH ANGEL SOUNDED, and the third part of the sun was struck, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars. As the third part of them were darkened, the day did not shine for a third part of it, and the night likewise; [i.e., THE FIRST FOUR TRUMPETS SOUNDED];
    - CENTRAL AXIS) 8:13 AND I BEHELD, AND HEARD AN ANGEL FLYING THROUGH THE MIDST OF HEAVEN, SAYING WITH A LOUD VOICE, 'WOE, WOE, TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH BECAUSE OF THE OTHER VOICES OF THE TRUMPET OF THE THREE ANGELS, WHICH ARE YET TO SOUND;'
  - 2B) 9:1-11:18 THE FINAL THREE TRUMPETS SOUNDED;
    - 1a) 9:1-11 The fifth trumpet sounded;
      - *1a)* 9:1-2 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven to the earth; and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit. 2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit;
      - 1b) 9:3-6 And there came out of the smoke locusts on the earth; and to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which did not have the seal of God in their foreheads. 5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months;

- and their torment was like the torment *of a scorpion*, *when he strikes a man*. **6** And in those days men shall seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them;
- 1c) 9:7a And the shapes of the locusts were as horses prepared for battle;
- central axis) 9:7b-9a And on their heads were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. 8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. 9 And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron;
- 2c) 9:9b And the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle;
- **2b)** 9:10 And they had tails *like scorpions*, and there were stings in their tails; and their power was to *hurt men five months*;
- 2a) 9:11 And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue has the name Apollyon;
- 1b) 9:12 One woe is past, and, behold, there are to come two more woes after this;
- 1c) 9:13-21 The sixth trumpet sounded / one third killed, and they did not repent;
  - 1a) 9:13-15 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, 14 saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, 'Loose the four angels which are bound at the great river Euphrates.' 15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, to slay the third part of men;
  - *1b)* 9:16-17a And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand; and I heard the number of them. 17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and those who sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone; and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; [i.e., the description of the heads of horsemen];
  - Ic) 9:17b And out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone; central axis) 9:18a By these three was the third part of men killed;
  - 2c) 9:18b By the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths;
  - **2b)** 9:19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails; for their tails were like serpents, and had heads, and with them they hurt; [i.e., the description of the tails of horsemen];
  - 2a) 9:20-21 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues did not repent of the works of their hands, and that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and bronze, and stone, and of wood, which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk. 21 They neither repent-

- ed of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts:
- 1d) 10:1-11 The second interval: the testimony of the little book which prophesies;
  - 1a) 10:1-2 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud, and a rainbow was on his head, and his face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. 2 And he had in his hand a little book open; and he set his right foot on the sea, and his left foot on the earth;
  - 1b) 10:3a And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars;
  - 1c) 10:3b-4 And when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices. 4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to

write; and I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, 'Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them;'

- central axis) 10:5-6a And the angel which I saw stand on the sea and on the earth lifted up his hand to heaven, 6 and swore by Him who lives for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that are in it, and the earth, and the things that are in it, and the sea, and the things that are in it;
- 2c) 10:6b-7 That there should be a delay no longer, 7 but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as He has declared to His servants the prophets;
- 2b) 10:8a And the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again;
- 2a) 10:8b-11 Take the open book in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the earth;
  - 1A) 10:8B-9B TAKE THE LITTLE BOOK which is in the hand of the angel;
    - 1a) 10:8b And said, 'Go, and take the little book which is open;
    - 1b) 10:8c In the hand of the angel;
    - central axis) 10:8d Who stands on the sea and on the earth;'
    - 2b) 10:9a And I went to the angel;
    - 2a) 10:9b And said to him, 'Give me the little book;'
  - CENTRAL AXIS) 10:9C AND HE SAID TO ME, 'TAKE IT, AND EAT IT UP;
  - 2A) 10:9D-11 I TOOK THE BOOK out of the angel's hand, and ate it up;
    - 1a) 10:9d And it shall make your belly bitter;
    - 1b) 10:9e But it shall be in your mouth as sweet as honey;'
    - central axis) 10:10a And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up;
    - 2b) 10:10b And it was in my mouth as sweet as honey;
    - 2a) 10:10c-11 And as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. 11 And he said to me, 'You must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings;'

- central axis) 11:1-2 And there was given to me a reed like a rod; and the angel stood, saying, 'Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and those who worship in it. 2 But the court which is outside the temple leave out, and do not measure it; for it is given to the Gentiles, and they shall tread the holy city under foot forty-two months; [i.e., The second interval: measuring the temple];
- 2d) 11:3-12 The second interval: the testimony of the two witnesses who prophesy;
  - *1a) 11:3-7a* His witnesses *prophesy and testify*;
    - 1A.1) 11:3A And I will GIVE POWER to my two witnesses;
    - 1A.2) 11:3B And they shall PROPHESY a thousand two hundred and sixty days;
    - 1B) 11:3C Clothed in SACKCLOTH;

## CENTRAL AXIS) 11:4 THESE ARE THE TWO OLIVE TREES, AND THE TWO LAMPSTANDS STANDING BEFORE THE GOD OF ALL THE EARTH;

- 2B) 11:5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceeds out of their mouths, and devours their enemies; and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner BE KILLED; [i.e., Sackcloth is the clothing of mourning];
- **2A.1) 11:6** These HAVE POWER to shut heaven, that it does not rain in the days of their prophecy; and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they will;
- 2A.2) 11:7A And when they shall have finished their TESTIMONY;
- *1b) 11:7b* The beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and *kill them*;
- 1c) 11:8-9 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. 9 And those of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three and a half days, and shall not allow their dead bodies to be put in graves;
- *1d) 11:10a* And those who *dwell on the earth*;
- 1e) 11:10b Shall rejoice over them;

## central axis) II:10c And make merry, and shall send gifts to one another;

- 2e) 11:10d Because these two prophets tormented;
- 2d) 11:10e Those who dwelt on the earth;
- 2c) 11:11a And after three and a half days;
- 2b) 11:11b The Spirit of *life from God entered into them*, and they stood on their feet;
- 2a) 11:11c-12 And great fear fell on those who saw them. 12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying to them, 'Come up here.' And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them; [i.e., their resurrection and ascension testified of the veracity of their witness];

- 2c) 11:13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain names of men seven ranks of nobility. And the remnant were frightened, and gave glory to the God of heaven;
- 2b) 11:14 The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe comes quickly;
- 2a) 11:15-18 The seventh angel sounded the seventh trumpet;
  - *1a)* 11:15a And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, 'The *kingdoms of this world* have become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Messiah;
  - *1b) 11:15b* And *He shall reign* for ever and ever;
  - central axis) 11:16-17a And the twenty-four elders, who sat before God on their thrones, fell on their faces, and worshiped God, 17 saying, 'We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, who are, and were, and are to come,
  - 2b) 11:17b Because You have taken Your great power, and have reigned;
  - 2a) 11:18 And the nations were angry, and Your wrath has come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that You should give a reward to Your servants the prophets, and to the saints, and those who fear Your name, small and great; and that You should destroy those who destroy the earth;'
- **2A**) 11:19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in His temple the ark of His testament; and there were **LIGHTNINGS**, and **VOICES**, and **THUNDER-INGS**, and an **EARTHQUAKE**, and great hail. [*i.e.*, **CONCLUSION TO THE SEVEN TRUMPETS SERIES**].