



A vision of hope from the book of Revelation

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# Hope Unveiled: Series Introduction

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# The seven trumpets and the seven bowls

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# Our Message

- •There is a God, a living God
- •This is Gods world; it works his way or not at all
- If we violate his way, it will turn back on us
- •He has made a way back, Jesus, the Lamb upon the throne





#### The Lamb is on his Throne and God is good







### Revelation 10:8-11

<sup>8</sup>Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me once more: "Go, take the scroll that lies open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land."

<sup>9</sup>So I went to the angel and asked him to give me the little scroll. He said to me, "Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach sour, but 'in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey.'<sup>[a]</sup>"



#### **Revelation 10:8-11**

<sup>10</sup> I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour. <sup>11</sup> Then I was told, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings."



 I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, "Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, with its worshipers.<sup>2</sup> But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months. <sup>3</sup> And I will appoint my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth."



• <sup>4</sup>They are "the two olive trees" and the two lampstands, and "they stand before the Lord of the earth."<sup>[a] 5</sup> If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die.



- •4 They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want.
- <sup>7</sup>Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them.



•<sup>8</sup>Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city—which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt—where also their Lord was crucified. <sup>9</sup> For three and a half days some from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial. <sup>10</sup> The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth.



- <sup>11</sup> But after the three and a half days the breath<sup>[b]</sup> of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. <sup>12</sup> Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.
- <sup>13</sup> At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.



#### **Revelation 16:15**

# "Look, I come like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake and remains clothed, so as not to go naked and be shamefully exposed."





### How then do we respond?

# 1.We remember Gods goodness and the Lamb is on his throne

2.We repent of everything and anything contrary to Gods will and way. Of anything we have put before obedience to Christ.





# How then do we respond?

3. We need to intercede, to plead for mercy for those that don't know the living God. Crying out "Break through Lord".

4. We must commit to speaking out and prophesying Gods goodness and the gospel to our family, friends, neighbours and colleagues.

