

## Revelation, Week 5

### **Adam's lost inheritance:**

*Genesis 1:28 ESV And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."*

**Through Sin, Adam lost this inheritance! But Jesus the Second Adam redeemed our lost inheritance.**

*1 Corinthians 15:45-58 ESV Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. **46** But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual. **47** The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. **48** As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, **so also are those who are of heaven.** **49** Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also **bear the image of the man of heaven.***

***50** I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot **inherit** the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable **inherit** the imperishable. **51 Behold! I tell you a mystery.** We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, **52** in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. **53** For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. **54** When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." **55** "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" **56** The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. **57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

***58** Therefore, my beloved brothers, be **steadfast, immovable**, always **abounding** in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.*

With the opening of seals we were allowed to see through a prophetic window **the consequences of Adam's sin which unleashed the spiritual forces of evil upon all of mankind**, both believers and unbelievers.

**With sounding of Trumpets John saw and recorded God's judgment on hardened humanity.**

### **The 7 Trumpets:**

*Whatever follows the during the sounding of the trumpets is somehow connected to the prayers of the saints.*

*Revelation 8:1-5 NLT When the Lamb broke the seventh seal on the scroll, there was silence throughout heaven for about half an hour. **2** I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and they were given seven trumpets. **3** Then another angel with a gold incense burner came and stood at the altar. And a great amount of incense was given to him to **mix with the prayers of God's people** as an offering on the gold altar before the throne. **4** The smoke of the incense, mixed with the prayers of God's holy people, ascended up to God from the altar where the angel had poured them out. **5** Then the angel filled the*

*incense burner with fire from the altar and threw it down upon the earth; and thunder crashed, lightning flashed, and there was a terrible earthquake.*

***The first 4 trumpets are blown with a release of Chaos on the earth. Hail, fire, blood, the sea and the fresh water is contaminated, and partial darkness covers the earth.***

***The next 3 trumpet blasts are preceded with a warning from an Eagle flying over the earth! They are called the 3 woes because of the devastation.***

***The 5<sup>th</sup> trumpet opens a shaft to the Abyss which releases demonic beings that terrorize the earth for 5 months.***

\*Note: there are some sealed people of God on the earth at this time and they are protected. (ch 9)

***The 6<sup>th</sup> trumpet release some angels (probably fallen angels) and they kill 1/3 of the population on the earth.***

\*Notice, God is still giving people and opportunity to Repent.

*Revelation 9:20,21 NIV The rest of mankind who were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood—idols that cannot see or hear or walk. 21 Nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts, their sexual immorality or their thefts.*

**This is mind-blowing!** Even at the time of the conclusion of God's plan for the planet, He still desires that men repent rather than perish.

**How would this have encouraged the 7 churches as they were reading this?**

Our prayers matter.

God will deal with our enemies in the future.

Satan is not giving orders and nor does he control the timetable heavenly events.

We are sealed and protected from God's wrath.

Through all these Judgments God is still looking for Repentance.

**The Mighty Angel, the Scroll and the Mystery of God is Finished (Ch 10)**

*Revelation 10:1-7 NIV Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven, wrapped in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head, and his face was like the sun, and his legs like pillars of fire. 2 He had a **little scroll open** in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea, and his left foot on the land, 3 and called out with a loud voice, like a lion roaring. When he called out, the seven thunders sounded. 4 And when the seven thunders had sounded, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said, and do not write it down."*

***5 And the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven 6 and swore by him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and what is in it, the earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it, that there would be no more delay, 7 but that in the days of the trumpet call to be sounded by the seventh angel, the mystery of God would be fulfilled, just as he announced to***

his servants the prophets. **8** Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me again, saying, "Go, take the scroll that is open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land." **9** So I went to the angel and told him to give me the little scroll. And he said to me, "Take and eat it; it will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth it will be sweet as honey." **10** And I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it. It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter. **11** And I was told, "You must again prophesy about many peoples and nations and languages and kings."

**This Mighty Angel has the Markings of Deity! Cloud, rainbow, face like the sun, legs on fire.**

This is Jesus, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. (The Second Adam)

He has a little scroll in hand **which has been opened**. The opening has been completed (all 7 seals)

**Jesus is Claiming His Inheritance:**

He sets His right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land.

By setting His feet on the land and the sea in this manner He claims Ownership Rights to the Earth!

Remember God told Abraham wherever you set your feet I will give that land to you! (Deuteronomy 11)

**The Mystery of God would be Fulfilled (10:7):**

Acts 3:17-21 ESV "And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. **18** But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer, he thus fulfilled. **19** Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out, **20** that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, **21** whom **heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things** about which God spoke by the mouth of his holy prophets long ago.

3:22-23 ESV Moses said, 'The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brothers (Jesus) You shall listen to him in whatever he tells you. **23** And it shall be that **every soul** who does **not listen** to that prophet **shall be destroyed from the people.**'

**The Mystery of God is simply the sum of all God's prophetic revelations and actions giving for the reinstatement of man into His lost inheritance:**

Ephesians 1:11-14 ESV In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, **12** so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. **13** In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, **14** who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

**The Woman and the Dragon:**

**Revelation 12:1-11** ESV And a **great sign** appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. **2** She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. **3** And **another sign** appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. **4** His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. **5** She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne,

*6 and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days.*

**Cosmic Battle: Satan Thrown Down to Earth:**

*7 Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, 8 but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. 9 And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the **deceiver** of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the **accuser** of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. 11 And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.*

***The Dragon is the Ancient Enemy. His strategy is to Destroy the Children of God.***