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The Trumpet Judgments (Part 3)

In our last study, the first Woe Judgment had passed with its __ months of lingering _____ upon the unsealed humanity. The warning was given that ____ more Woes come hereafter (9.12). Just a casual reading of this horrific chapter produces a desire that this chapter should be figurative. Yet, the horror of this 6th Trumpet Judgment will be literally realized.

The Voice from the Altar— This voice is very likely the same as the first voice that John heard (Rev. 1.10, 12, 15) and the one he will hear later (Rev. 10.4, 8; 14.2, 13; 16.1, 17; 21.3). It was from this same altar, the _____ had been brought (Rev. 8.3-4). The horns of the altar were upon both the earthly bronze (Ex. 27.2) and golden (Ex. 30.2). They were for the _____ of the sacrifices (Psa. 118.27). God is about to let forth judgment pronounced from His altar upon the _____ persecuting rebels (I Kings 2.28-34).

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The Great River—These aforementioned angels are bound in the Euphrates River. This river is one of the most ______ of rivers, deriving its name from one of the _____ pre-diluvian _____ (Gen. 2.10-14). The Lord covenanted Himself to Abraham that this river would be the eastern _____ of the land given to Abraham's descendants (Gen. 15.18). Truly from the _____ to the ____ shall the Jew be was God's declaration (Deut. 11.24, Josh. 1.4). This river is the _____ river in western Asia. It "rushes forth" from its source in Turkey and flows for 1,780 miles in a southwesterly direction across _____ and into ____. It converges with another ancient headwater, the _____ River (Gen. 2.14, 10.4). Together, they flow approximately 100 miles and enter the Persian Gulf.

Historically, this river was a boundary for many civilizations. The Empires and Empires (II Kings 23.29, II Chron. 35.20, Jer.46.2), the Empire (II Kings 24.7), Israel under the leadership of King (I Chron. 18.3) and perhaps Solomon (II Chron. 9.26). This river was also the boundary for the Roman Empire that followed. The Babylonian capital of Babylon was situated against this river the Great would divert it and proceed under the city walls to capture it (539 BC).
Practically, this river was the source of many ancient adversaries that invaded Israel (Jer. 2.18). Biblically, this original area was the source for many infamous first!
* The first was committed (Gen. 4.10)
* The first human (Gen. 4.17)
* The first pagan/godless was developed (Gen. 4.21)
* The first Judgment passed (Gen. 6.5-6)
* The first post-diluvian (Gen. 10-11)
* The first multinational (Gen. 14)
* The first declaration of God land-grant (Gen. 15.18)
This is the area of unfulfilled promise from which the Jew was called out of (Gen. 12.1) and was her dwelling in the years of captivity (Ezra 7.9). Today, it is the current inhabitance of of Israel's embittered enemies, and it continues to be a constant thorn in her side. By all accounts, it has been an unchanged center of stronghold.
This river will be once more mentioned in the book of the Revelations. Due to the apocalyptic change (Rev. 16.9), it will up (Rev. 16.12) and across it will ride the vast host of the of the east prepared to do battle in the place called (Rev. 16.16).
The Army of Horsemen— These angels will loose 200,000,000 (specific number in the Bible) horsemen (largest recorded calvary was Xerxes' 2.5 million) whose purpose is to extinguish the lives of the part of men (v.15). Coupled with the previous Seal Judgment (Rev. 6.1-8) nearly of all humanity may have perished!
God's grace is seen. He has endured the flaunting of wickedness time and again. Even in this horrific chapter, His undeniable may be seen. Yet, they not (v. 21)!