

I. THE CHARACTER OF GOD

A. Supreme and sovereign over all

1. He is on His Throne

- a. ISA. 6:1 – “In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.”
- b. Train (Webster’s 1828)
 - i. A company in order; a procession. (Railroad usage source)
 - ii. Something drawn along behind, the end of a gown, etc.; as the train of a gown or robe.
 - iii. A retinue; a number of followers or attendants.
- c. ISA. 66:1 – “Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest?”

2. There are no PRETENDERS to THIS Throne

- a. This war is all about that Throne and who will SIT on it
- b. ISA. 14:13 – “For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:”
- c. Who sits on the Throne of God in our lives?

3. We can very easily occupy the Throne, crown OURSELVES king!

- a. It is the very First Commandment!
- b. EXO. 20:3 – “Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”
- c. Who will be King? God will settle the question! Forever!

B. Nothing, and no one, escapes His judgment

1. Notice the four horns of the altar (vs. 13)

- a. Typifies four directions – unto the ends of the earth and beyond
- b. His judgment is universal!
- c. 2 PETER 3:10 – “But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.”

2. There is no escape from the EYE of God

- a. 2 CHRON. 6:9 – “For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth,”
- b. He sees EVERYTHING from beginning to end, back to front
- c. He KNOWS the what, why, where, when, and how

3. There is no escape from the WORD of God

- a. HEB. 4:12 – “For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing

asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

- C. What He says He will do
 - 1. We’ve all run into people who fail to do what they promise
 - 2. God is not like that! He is NOT a Politian. He is NOT a Salesman
 - 3. EZEK. 24:14a – “I the LORD have spoken it: it shall come to pass, and I will do it; I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent;”

II. THE VOICE OF GOD

- A. He speaks at the sound of the Sixth Trumpet
 - 1. Four woes were past, but then the fifth with the great locusts
 - a. The star fell and opened of the bottomless pit
 - b. And it was lamented in vs. 12 that two woes remained
 - 2. ANY OF THOSE woes would be enough
 - a. We have fought great wars, natural disasters, and still remember
 - b. We speak of the attack on Pearl Harbor with reverence
 - c. But none of those things can equal even ONE of these Woes
 - 3. The trumpet announces the SIXTH Woe upon the Earth
- B. He speaks one command (vs. 14)
 - 1. Loose those hellish powers that even now are bound
 - a. Four evil angels, liege-slaves to Satan, in Euphrates River
 - b. Euphrates tied to the pagan fertility goddess “easter”
 - i. Moon goddess going back to Nimrod’s wife Se-mir-am-is
 - ii. She supposedly was born when the moon laid an egg
 - iii. The egg landed in the Euphrates River
 - c. Many rivers are tied to pagan worship, but this one in particular
 - 2. These wicked and fallen angels were PREPARED (vs. 15)
 - a. In other words, READIED by God – not CAUSED by God
 - b. The gasoline has been already poured on the kindling wood
 - c. God has been keeping Satan from throwing the lighted match!
- C. His Power and His Will restrains Hell even now!
 - 1. TODAY those angels are there, bound but waiting – PREPARED
 - 2. Prepared to unleash destruction on this world
 - 3. Prepared to lead their armies to invade Earth

III. THE ARMY OF THE FOUR ANGELS

- A. Their number (vs. 16)
 - 1. 200,000,000 – 200 MILLION (a hundred thousand thousand)
 - 2. This is the devil’s calvary – they are described as horseman
- B. Their description (vs. 17)
 - 1. There is no reason to believe that this is figurative language
 - 2. We must take the Bible literally unless the Scripture tells us

- a. It does not use words for metaphor here
 - b. Not heads LIKE a lion's but WERE lions
- 3. They plague the Earth with fire, smoke, brimstone
- 4. All the elements of HELL itself
- C. Their power (vs. 19)
 - 1. These are Satanic beings turned loose on the wicked world
 - 2. Just as angels are more powerful than man, these also have great power
 - 3. DAN. 10:13 – “But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.”
- D. Their destructive work (vs. 15b & 18)
 - 1. In REV. 6:8 – One QUARTER of the population is killed
 - 2. In REV. 9:18 – One THIRD of the population is killed
 - 3. 6 billion / 4 = 1.5B, 1.5 billion / 3 is .5 or 500 million
 - 4. Ever hear about the Georgia Guidestones?
 - a. “In June 1979, a man using the pseudonym R. C. Christian approached the Elberton Granite Finishing Company on behalf of "a small group of loyal Americans" and commissioned the structure. Christian explained that the stones would function as a compass, calendar, and clock, and should be capable of **"withstanding catastrophic events"**. Joe Fendley of Elberton Granite assumed that Christian was "a nut" and attempted to discourage him by providing a quote for the commission which was several times higher than any project the company had previously taken, explaining that the guidestones would require additional tools and consultants. To Fendley's surprise, Christian accepted the quote.[2] When arranging payment, Christian said that he represented a group which had been planning the guidestones for 20 years and which wanted to remain anonymous.”
 - i. The Georgia Guidestones are a granite monument erected in 1980 in Elbert County, Georgia, in the United States. A set of ten guidelines is inscribed on the structure in eight modern languages and a shorter message is inscribed at the top of the structure in four ancient language scripts.
 - ii. The monument stands at an approximate elevation of 750 feet (230 m) above sea level, about 90 miles (140 km) east of Atlanta, 45 miles (72 km) from Athens, Georgia and 9 miles (14 km) north of the center of the city of Elberton.
 - iii. One slab stands in the center, with four arranged around it. A capstone lies on top of the five slabs, which are astronomically aligned.
 - b. They say all kinds of pagan things, but of the list of ten principles

- c. Guiding Principle Number 1 – “Maintain humanity under 500,000,000 in perpetual balance with nature.”
 - 5. Fulfills ISA. 24:6 – “Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.”
- E. Their time (vs. 15)
 - 1. A little over 13 months
 - 2. It is almost worse that the death and destruction isn’t instantaneous
 - 3. But it is instead ONGOING and PROLONGED

IV. THE WORSHIP OF THE UNREPENTANT

- A. Those who have survived
 - 1. CONTINUE to worship false gods (vs. 20)
 - 2. Can you imagine? Seeing the utter failure of your “gods” to save you
 - 3. But hoping something will change?
 - 4. Not only does their “god” not save them, but instead is KILLING them!
- B. They do not repent (v.21)
 - 1. They should turn from their sin and self and turn to God
 - 2. 1 TIM. 2:5 – “For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;”
 - 3. DEUT. 4:39 - Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the LORD he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.”
- C. The end of this Woe (Sixth Trumpet) in REV. 11:13-14

V. THE WORTHINESS OF THE LAMB

- A. Sinful men are still commanded to repent and believe in Jesus Christ
 - 1. LUKE 13:3 – “I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.”
 - 2. ACTS 17:30 – “And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:”
 - 3. 2 PETER 3:9 – “The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.”
- B. Unrepentant sin remains the single most destructive force in anyone’s life
 - 1. ROM. 8:2 – “For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.”
 - 2. Freedom
 - a. From the PENALTY of sin in Hell
 - b. From the POWER of sin in LIFE
 - c. From the PRESENCE of sin in Heaven

3. ROM. 6:23 – “For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

C. Be Saved TODAY!