

**Focus Bible Study Series**



Study 4

The seventh Seal and  
**The Seven Trumpets**

Revelation 8 - 9

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Revelation Study 4.

### Discuss.

In your groups, your leader will get you to observe a 2 minute silence. During this time no one can say anything or make any noise. When the 2 minutes are up open your bibles to Revelation and read Chapter 8 and 9 quickly.

Q. What do you think half hour of silence in heaven feels like? Describe the effect it has on people.

Q. What does the opening of the 7<sup>th</sup> seal reveal?

Read and summarise how each of the trumpets are described and what they may represent. Fill in the following table.

	Description
Trumpet 1	
Trumpet 2	
Trumpet 3	
Trumpet 4	
Trumpet 5	
Trumpet 6	

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This passage is filled with imagery and symbolism. The meaning is also not given to the readers therefore we must be careful when we are trying to work out the meaning.

What things are not clear?

What things are clear?

Look back at the last chapter on the seals and compare them with the trumpets. What differences and similarities between the two groups.

6 seals
1. White horse bent on conquest
2. Red horse to take peace from earth and make men slay each other
3. Black horse measuring scales
4. Pale horse – death & hades ¼ of the earth to be killed
5. Alter of souls killed calling out for justice and told to wait
6. Earthquake, every hiding from the wrath of the lamb, 144000 from the tribes of Israel

**Discuss :** What do you think the seals and the trumpets are about?

What is the purpose of this vision ? What does it do for the readers? Do you think that these trumpets and seals are warnings for the readers or just a description of events that are happening ? Does it help us in anyway ?

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## Summary and Application.

From this passage and the description of the vision that John sees what is the general impression you get and how do you feel when you read it? Which of the following best describe your response?

- a. Awe and wonder
- b. Fear and confusion
- c. Hope and joy

How should we talk about judgement and hell to non believers ?What should we be careful of?

## Group 1.

What does this passage say about what will happen to the world? Do you think it is true?

Is it bad to scare people to make them believe in God? Explain your answer.

Why is it good to scare people to make them stop doing something?

Which of the two will make you more likely turn to God? Why??

- a. fear of punishment
- b. God's love and kindness
- c. both
- d. none

**Pray.**

**Preparation for next study Read Chapter 10-13.**