

Message Notes:

Message Nine: Demons, Destruction and Defeat

Passage: Chapter 9: 1-12

9:1 The 5th angel blows their trumpet and another s_____ falls from heaven.

The star is often used symbolically of a prominent person (Numbers 24: 17); to satan (Isa 14: 12-17); to angelic beings (Job 38:7); to human leaders of churches (Rev 1: 20) and even to Christ (22: 16)

The terms “Abyss” and “bottomless” come from the same Greek word abyssos meaning d_____ or u_____ = it can refer to the physical depths of the earth or the place where certain demons are kept until final judgment which is probably the intended meaning here (Matt 25: 41)

9: 2: The door opens and smoke spews forth darkening the sun and a swarm of i_____ -like creatures emerge.

Locusts were often used by God to judge people: eight plagues in Egypt Ex. 10: 1-20; Joel 2

These end-time locusts do not eat the vegetation like normal locusts; they do much more- they sting like scorpions.

Note that that they are limited in their destruction: 9:3

Their target will not be plants but people: those who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads: 9:4

They can torment but not kill.

God puts a time limit on their torture: 9:5

The torment will drive people insane: 9:6

9:7-12:

John uses the word, “like” meaning they are indescribable.

They are:

- ❖ Warlike
- ❖ Brutal
- ❖ Fierce
- ❖ Full of rage
- ❖ Intelligent
- ❖ Unstoppable and their only goal is torture, tearing apart, disruption

These are spiritual, demonic creatures-supernatural soldiers in the kingdom of darkness

They are led by a king 9:11 (unlike real locusts- Prov. 30:27)

Abaddon= d_____

A brief description of demons today:

APPLICATION:

One: Demons are real, they hate you and have only one goal: your downfall: Luke 8:31; 1 Tim. 4:1

Two: We must stay alert to what the devil is doing against us: 1 Peter 5:8

Three: Demons are seductive, powerful but have limitations: 2 Thess. 2: 6-8

Four: Demons are no match for the Christ in you: Lk 8: 26-31; 1 Peter 5: 6-7

SMALL GROUP LESSON

LOOK BACK:

Describe a time when you were under intense spiritual warfare? How did it feel?
What happened to get you through it?

LOOK UP:

One: What happens when the enemy decides to attack you?

Two: What is in your arsenal to withstand the attacks of the enemy?

Three: Why is it so critical to have others around you in the midst of a spiritual attack?

Four: How can you sharpen your weapons before the next attack in order to be prepared?

LOOK FORWARD:

Who do you know that is undergoing spiritual warfare right now:
_____ How can you come alongside of them to support them in the battle?