



Interlude

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- Robert Mounce says this interlude will answer two questions...
 - How long until _____?
 - What will happen to _____ in this period?
- The two interludes in Revelation 10-11 have two purposes...
 - Prepare the reader for the _____
 - _____ John

Revelation 10:1-3a

¹ 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.

Another Angel

- Is this Jesus?
 - _____ in a cloud (Exodus 16:10, Luke 9:34)
 - _____ above his head (Revelation 4:3)
 - Face like the _____ (Revelation 1:16, Matthew 17:2)

- Legs like _____
- One foot on _____, other on the _____
- Voice like a _____ (Hosea 11:10)

"In Psalm 104:3, God is said to make the clouds his chariot. The rainbow was a sign of his covenant with man that the earth would never again be destroyed by water (Gen. 9:8-17). When Moses came from the presence of God on Mount Sinai, his face shone with such radiance that he had to wear a veil (Exod. 34:29-35)."

Robert Mounce in *What Are We Waiting For? A Commentary on Revelation*

- The angel is not Jesus
 - Kendall Easley says it is not likely Jesus because John does not _____ and _____ the angel and the angel _____, which would be peculiar if it were Jesus
 - R. H. Charles says Christ is never designated as an _____ in Revelation
- The angel's appearance
 - John must have been impressed with the angel's appearance... he mentions it _____ (verses 3, 5, 8)
 - Heavenly angels would reflect the glory of God by being in _____
 - Exodus 34:29-35 – Moses' face shown bright after being with The Lord

Revelation 10:3b-4

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."

The Seven Thunders

- John is forbidden to _____ what is said
 - Daniel 12:4 – But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end.
 - 2 Corinthians 12:4 – He heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter.
- The Bible is _____ revelation for salvation and life, but not an _____ revelation (Kendall Easley)

Revelation 10:5-7

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.

The Oath

- The angel makes an oath, swearing by...
 - He who lives _____
 - He who _____
 - Daniel 12:7 – And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream; he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by him who lives forever
 - James 5:12 – But above all, my brothers, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your "yes" be yes and

your "no" be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

The Mystery

- The mystery of God will be fulfilled
 - The sounding of the 7th trumpet will _____
 - Chapters 12-14 and 15-16 merely convey how the end is achieved

The Prophets

- Revelation 12:7 - When the seventh angel blows his trumpet, God's mysterious plan will be fulfilled. It will happen just as he announced it to his servants the prophets.
- This verse helps connect _____ to the long line of _____ in the Bible

Revelation 10:8-11

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."

Once Again

- Jeremiah 15:16-17 - ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷ I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand

was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation.

- Ezekiel 2:8-3:3 – ⁸“But you, son of man, hear what I say to you. Be not rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you.” ⁹ And when I looked, behold, a hand was stretched out to me, and behold, a scroll of a book was in it. ¹⁰ And he spread it before me. And it had writing on the front and on the back, and there were written on it words of lamentation and mourning and woe. ^{3:1} And he said to me, “Son of man, eat whatever you find here. Eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel.” ² So I opened my mouth, and he gave me this scroll to eat. ³ And he said to me, “Son of man, feed your belly with this scroll that I give you and fill your stomach with it.” Then I ate it, and it was in my mouth as sweet as honey.

John’s Commissions

- Revelation 1:19 – ¹⁹ Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this.
- Revelation 10:11 – ¹¹ And I was told, “You must again prophesy about many peoples and nations and languages and kings.”

The Bittersweet Scroll

- Ezekiel 3:1-3 - And he said to me, “Son of man, eat whatever you find here. Eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel.” ² So I opened my mouth, and he gave me this scroll to eat. ³ And he said to me, “Son of man, feed your belly with this scroll that I give you and fill your

stomach with it.” Then I ate it, and it was in my mouth as sweet as honey.

- Jeremiah 15:16 - ¹⁶ Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.
- Psalms 119:103 - ¹⁰³ How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!
- The Great Scroll could only be opened by Christ... the little scroll is _____
- The little scroll is _____, but _____ in the stomach
 - Communion with _____ is sweet, but the burden of _____ can be bitter
- To eat the scroll means to _____ thoroughly
- Ezekiel and John both eat a scroll
 - Ezekiel was a prophet to _____
 - John is a prophet to _____