

## Sermon Discussion Guide:

# The Seventh Trumpet

Sunday, June 13, 2021

Scripture: **Revelation 11:15–19**

Series: **Revelation**

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### OVERVIEW

Many see Revelation as being only about the future. Truly, it's a book about what has happened, what is happening, and what will happen. It helps us make sense of our chaotic times and helps us see what God is doing. Here, we get a glimpse of what the end of time will look like when Jesus comes back. There are loud voices in heaven that speak of Satan's kingdom giving way to Christ's kingdom and elders falling on their faces giving thanks and worshipping Christ. We see wrath and judgment, but also rewards given to God's people and full access to God's presence. **The righteous rule and gracious presence of Christ is the comfort and hope of every Christian.**

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### CORROBORATING TEXTS

John 12:31; 2 Corinthians 4:4; 1 Corinthians 15:24-28; Psalm 2:1-5; Colossians 3:23-24; Matthew 6:1-34; Psalm 119:50,76; Psalm 16:11

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### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In verses 16–18, we see elders falling down giving thanks to God for who he is and for what he has done. Why do we often struggle in praising God? *[We aren't specific. Real worship is real specific! Praising God requires theology. It is to magnify all the glorious characteristics that are true of him.]*
2. How does the righteous rule of Christ bring comfort and hope? *[Comfort: because his promise is certain. Hope: because one day we will experience it ourselves.]*
3. How does the first part of verse 18 bring comfort and relief to the Christian in light of all the injustice and suffering we experience and see in the world? *[Evil people will stop getting away with their evil deeds. Injustice will be replaced with justice. God's people will be rewarded!]*
4. How often do we as Christians think about eternal life and heaven in terms of our reward? How should we live here on this earth in light of this reward? Consider Colossians 3:23–24.
5. What does verse 19 show us, that everyone will have access to God's presence. Is this a good thing for everyone?
6. How does the gracious presence of Christ give us comfort and hope? *[Comfort: because God is with us right now. Hope: because one day we will be with God. Truly in His presence and safe forever.]*