

*Cultural, Historic, and Geographic Context*



## Revelation Backgrounds 19

Seven Thunders  
Selected Cross-references

Revelation 10



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## Acts 17:11 (KJV)

**These (Bereans) were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.**

Unless otherwise noted, all biblical passages referenced are from the Complete Jewish Bible by David H. Stern. (Clarksville, MD: Messianic Jewish Publishers, 1998).



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### Revelation 10

Next I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven. He was dressed in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head; his face was like the sun, his legs like columns of fire; and he had a little scroll lying open in his hand. He planted his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land and shouted in a voice as loud as the roar of a lion; and when he shouted, seven thunderclaps sounded with voices that spoke. When the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven say, "Seal up the things the seven thunders said, do not write them down!" Then the angel I saw standing on the sea and on the land lifted his right hand toward heaven and swore by the One who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and what is in it, earth and what is in it, and the sea and what is in it:



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"There will be no more delay; on the contrary, in the days of the sound from the seventh angel when he sounds his shofar, the hidden plan of God will be brought to completion, the Good News as he proclaimed it to his servants the prophets." Next, the voice which I had heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, "Go, take the scroll lying open in the hand of the angel standing on the sea and on the land!" So, I went over to the angel and asked him to give me the little scroll; and he said to me, "Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach bitter, but in your mouth, it will be sweet as honey." I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it; and in my mouth, it was sweet as honey; but after I had swallowed it, my stomach turned bitter. Then I was told, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages, and kings."



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## Daniel 12

**“At that time shall arise, Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time, your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”**



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**Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others stood, one on this bank of the stream and one on that bank of the stream. And someone said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream, “How long shall it be till the end of these wonders?” 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 that it would be for a time, times, and half a time, and that when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end all these things would be finished. I heard, but I did not understand. Then I said, “O my lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?” He said, “Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end. Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand.”**



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## Another Mighty Angel

### Revelation 10:1-3a

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. He had a little scroll open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea, his left foot on the land, and called out with a loud voice, like a lion roaring.

### References

Rev 5:2 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?"



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## Little Scroll

### Revelation 10:1-3a

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. He had a **little scroll** open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea, his left foot on the land, and called out with a loud voice, like a lion roaring.

### References

Dan 10:6 His body was like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and the sound of his words like the sound of a multitude.



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## Seven Thunders Sealed

Revelation 10:3(b)-4	References
When he called out, the seven thunders sounded. 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.”	Deut 29:29 “The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things that are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.



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## Seven Thunders Sealed

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When he called out, the seven thunders sounded. 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.”	2 Cor 12 3 And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— 4 and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter.



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## No More Delay

Revelation 10:5-6	References
And the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven 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,	<p>Dan 12:7 he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by him who lives forever</p> <p>Rom 9:28 for the Lord will carry out his sentence upon the earth fully and without delay.”</p>



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## Mystery of God

Revelation 10:7	References/Mysteries
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.	<p>The Kingdom of Heaven - <a href="#">Mt 13:11</a></p> <p>The Kingdom <a href="#">Mark 4:11</a></p> <p>Israel's blindness <a href="#">Rom 11:25</a></p> <p>The Rapture <a href="#">1 Cor 15:51</a></p> <p>His Will <a href="#">Eph 1:9</a></p> <p>Christ and the Church <a href="#">Eph 5:32</a></p> <p>The Gospel <a href="#">Eph 3:4</a>; <a href="#">Col 1:26-27</a>; <a href="#">4:3</a></p> <p>Iniquity <a href="#">2 Thess 2:7</a></p> <p>God and Christ <a href="#">Col 2:2</a></p> <p>The Faith <a href="#">1 Tim 3:9</a></p> <p>Godliness <a href="#">1 Tim 3:16</a></p> <p>The Seven Stars &amp; Golden Lampstands <a href="#">Rev 1:20</a></p>



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## Take and eat

### Revelation 10:8-9

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." 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."

### References

Eze 3:1-3 Eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel." So I opened my mouth, and he gave me this scroll to eat. 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.



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## God's Word is sweeter than Honey

### Revelation 10:9



### References

Ps 119:101-104 I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your word. I do not turn aside from your rules, for you have taught me. How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.



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## You Must Prophecy Again

### Revelation 10:10-11

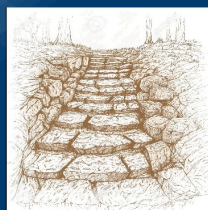
And I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it. It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter. And I was told, "You must again prophecy about many peoples and nations and languages and kings."

### References



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## Talmidim Way



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