



## **The Big Angel and the Little Scroll**

### **Revelation 10**

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#### **Revelation 10 esv**

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. 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." 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.

#### **What does the mighty angel swear?**

There would be \_\_\_\_\_!

#### **The greatest mystery of God to be accomplished is the salvation of his people.**

#### **Even before the 7 year Tribulation, times of distress will hit Christians. "In this world, you will have tribulation." –Jesus**

**John 15:18-21** "If the world hates you, you know that it has hated me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, 'A slave is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also. But all these things they will do to you for my name's sake, because they do not know the One who sent me.

#### **Romans 8:31, 35, 37**

<sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *is* against us? <sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

<sup>37</sup> But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.

## **Questions to prepare you to thrive in times of tribulation:**

(Chaplain John Heatley)

- 1) Does God's love for you, overwhelm you?
- 2) Does your love for God overwhelm everything else?
- 3) Can you share your testimony and share the Gospel in 5 minutes or less?
- 4) Can you comfort someone, from God's Word who is suffering and about to die?
- 5) Do you have sections of the Bible memorized? How much?
- 6) Are you prepared to suffer for your faith?
- 7) Are you prepared to die for your faith?
- 8) What Christian songs/Hymns do you know that will sooth your soul as you suffer for your faith?

## **LifeGroup Study Guide: Read Revelation 10**

**Mighty Angel and the Little Scroll** God does not reveal the information about what the "7 thunders" mean. How is God's prophecy a "mystery?"

How is God's prophecy sour and sweet?

#### **What about us?** Discuss the following:

Are we really ready for the end times?

How do we know if we are ready? How do we really know?

"Even without disasters that affect all of the United States, Christians should expect persecution and suffering." Why?

How can we prepare ourselves for persecution from our government, employers, neighbors, and families?

- What divine resources does God offer us?
- How does this change our LifeGroup discussions and prayer?
- What must we teach our children?
- How do we communicate and plan with our church family without sounding like an alarmist?
- How should we respond if someone in our LG or church suffers persecution?
- How do the Great Commandment (Love God and others) and the Great Commission (Make disciples) fit into our preparation?

Pray for our brothers and sisters who are being persecuted now.