

The Fifth Trumpet

Revelation 9:1-12

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Introduction:

The 5th Trumpet will unleash upon humanity a terrifying horde of demon-locusts.

1) The outline of the text:

(A) The mission of the demon-locusts (1-6).

(B) The description of the demon-locusts (7-12).

2) The backdrop of the Bible:

(A) Satan's recruitment of humanity (Ge3:1-6; Ro5:12; Ep2:2; 2Co4:4).

(B) Demonic sin and incarceration (Ge6:1-8; Jd6-7; 1Pe3:18-20; 2Pe2:4-5; Lk8:31).

3) The importance for our lives:

- (A) Recognize the two sides in this war.
- (B) Rethink your attraction to darkness.
- (C) Discern the true intentions of the enemy.
- (D) Trust in God who wins (Co2:15; Ep3:10; 6:10-17; Re20:10).

A Mighty Fortress - Martin Luther, translated by Frederick Hedge

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing;
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.
2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.
3. And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us;
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.
4. That word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him Who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever.