

**109EN-THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON - THE BEAST WHICH RISES FROM THE BOTOMLESS PIT AND THE THIRD WORLD WAR - Apocalypse 8,9,11,17,18 Joel 2 Nahum 3 Habakkuk 1,3 Luke 18**

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The Peace of CHRIST, beloved brethren, the little flock of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, and, at the same time, a happy Sabbath to all those who love GOD and want to obtain HIS character! We are on the Sabbath day, on the seventh day of the week, meditating on the Word of the LORD, on the word HE has given in the Madison Institute, so that HIS promise which says, "behold, how beautiful are the feet of them that bring glad tidings from the mountain", may be fulfilled. The LORD will have a people of watchmen, the LORD will have a third Elijah in the darkest time of this world, in the time when, just as the Bible says, godly men seem to disappear from the earth, men who seek GOD in HIS holiness and seek to understand the secret counsels of GOD, the counsels that HE will reveal only to HIS prophets, because the promise to us is that GOD shows the end from the beginning and " I AM will do nothing without first revealing HIS plan to HIS servants, the prophets", or to the saints of the HIGHEST. Based on these verses, on these promises, we are sure that the LORD will do nothing without first announcing to HIS servants all that will happen on earth. This will be proclaimed and the Bible says that the light has gone forth and the wise will find it. So all those who truly sanctify their lives will find the light published from the mountain, they will understand what the wicked will not understand. According to Daniel, chapter 12, in these last days, GOD will have a people, wise men, those who will understand the prophecies, prophecies that no one can understand except those who sanctify their lives, because only they get more and more of HIS SPIRIT, because the LORD will fill any vessel that will be cleansed and emptied, but HE cannot fill the vessels full of self, the men full of wickedness. We are on the 485th day of the war between the power of Satan and the power of GOD. We are well advanced in this conflict which at the moment is only at the edge, at the boundary between Asia and the West. The conflict has been going on for many decades at the edge, in the bordering countries or frontiers between the West and the East. We are going to go through the prophecies today to lay in our minds an outline in order to understand the order of events and to lay the foundation for future discoveries about the details of these final events. The LORD has given not only recently, but throughout this year and a half, many times, Daniel 11, Daniel 10, Daniel in general. This week is the second or third time that HE has given us Daniel 11. Even on this Sabbath, in this very service, the LORD has given us Daniel 11. Two, three days ago HE has given us Daniel 11 again. And at the same time with Daniel 11 HE has given us Jeremiah 5, where HE says, "Behold, I will bring upon you a nation very far from you, O house of Israel, saith I AM, a mighty nation, an ancient nation, a nation whose tongue ye know not, neither understand ye what they speak". Evidently, this nation is China. These are the nations of Asia, but especially China, which is the ancient nation, very ancient, the merchant of the earth of

all times, of thousands of years ago, and today also, the greatest economic power and the fastest growing emerging economy in the world today. We have spoken many times about this, and, evidently, it is the fulfillment of this verse 15 of Jeremiah 5. At the beginning of the war and of our prophetic experience we have interpreted that it could have been about Russia, but the light is growing as the light of day, and the LORD has not purposed HIMSELF to reveal HIS truth all at once, suddenly, but with effort, with study, with sacrifice, as Daniel did. Daniel, when he wanted to understand, fasted, prayed much for it, made a great effort, and the LORD has revealed to him what was necessary for him. He has not understood the final events, he has understood almost nothing of what has been revealed to him, but his prayers have served for us to have the complete prophecies. He has received prophecies for us, and only we can understand these prophecies, because these prophecies can be understood only after the 70 years of China passed, after the rise of China, again, as a world economic power, and not only economic, but military. These prophecies are for this time, and the light is increasing, that is, we will understand the light little by little as the LORD will allow us to understand. We cannot rush, we cannot go ahead in interpretations that are not true, and also as we walk with the LORD, things that we have not understood correctly become clearer, but those interpretations, as they have been, have been useful to be able to advance in understanding up to this level. Without having entered into this prophetic journey with the LORD, even with interpretations that later have changed a little, we would not have been able to reach the level of light that we have now. We have to understand the way GOD works, and that the prophets are not GOD, they do not have to know everything. Ellen White has not known everything, she has not told us everything, because just like Daniel, she depended on the SPIRIT of the LORD and the will of the LORD to reveal the light. GOD has HIS exact times when HE allows light to come into the world. HE has had an exact time when JESUS, the light of the world, came into this world. It is the same way with prophecies; HE has a way that Ellen White describes as the light of day when the day breaks and when the sun rises until noon. That is to say, the light is not shed in a moment, but it is a path of little by little because the LORD has to allow political events in this world so that HIS church can understand the truth. Sadly, the enemy has worked many false theories, many false principles in prophetic interpretation. Sadly, many are slaves to these principles of interpretation. Many say that we don't have to look at events or the news or what is going on in the world to interpret the Bible. Sadly, I have heard this from big stars who have once shone in Adventism, but this is not so. According to the word of GOD, even Daniel was attentive to everything. The pioneers, the morning stars, of the Dark Middle Ages, as they saw events being fulfilled, understood the prophecies also. It is the same in this last time in the history of this world. Let's advance the light a little more today. We are going to make some connections between the events of Revelation and also events described in the Old Testament prophets. We are going to build this outline in our minds for those who are truly interested in entering into the counsels of the MOST HIGH. Not just anyone enters into those councils, but only those who have been gracious before GOD, those

who please the LORD, as the Bible says, as it said of Daniel and as it said of others, men who resemble GOD in HIS character, and the LORD will make only such people wise, the wisest of the earth. The Bible even says: "even wiser than your teachers". A simple person, but faithful to GOD, a believer, GOD-like in character, GOD can raise him to heights of wisdom that no one in this world has reached, not even those who have many academic degrees. So we want to know the light, we want to understand the events, not to be prideful, but to be able to help others to understand, to be able to help others to prepare, to be able to warn so that these events will not take anyone by surprise, although it cannot be avoided that the wicked will be taken by surprise. But, also, the understanding of these events will lead many to repentance, not out of fear, but because they realize that GOD really exists, that GOD really is the ALMIGHTY, eternal, all knowing BEING who has said it all beforehand, and that HE can be trusted and only under HIS wings can a refuge be found. The times that are coming are times that will determine many to faint, many valiant, many will even die of fear, many will commit suicide, because there will come events so unexpected and so difficult that the world that does not know GOD will not see any way out, will not see any good end to all that will happen in this world. But that is why GOD has a wise people in this world, so that these people can encourage the weak hearts and strengthen the knees that tremble, as Isaiah says. So, our purpose is to encourage souls, to help, to comfort, to assure people who desire the holiness of GOD, to assure them of their salvation and that there will be refuge for those who follow the LAMB. Let's open our Bibles to Luke, chapter 18, and let's read a parable to begin this journey. "And HE spake also a parable unto them, that we ought always to pray, and not to be discouraged, saying, There was a certain judge in a certain city, which feared not GOD, neither had respect unto man. And there was also in that city a widow, and she came to him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary." "The adversary" is the name of Satan. Satan means "adversary." "But he would not for a season: but after that he said within himself, Though I fear not GOD, neither regard man, yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest she come always, and at the last she trouble me. And the LORD said, Hear what the unjust judge saith. And shall not GOD avenge HIS elect, which cry unto HIM day and night, though HE be longsuffering toward them? I say unto you, that HE will avenge them speedily. But the SON of man, when HE cometh, shall HE find faith on the earth?" This is the parable that for some may be one of the most heart troubling parables, because it speaks that at the time of the coming of the LORD, possibly, there will be no faith on this earth. "Shall the SON of man find faith on this earth when HE comes?" That is, will HE find anyone who has wisdom and who knows GOD's character? Will HE find anyone having the character of GOD in him? This is the big question and what stops the LORD from coming. The LORD has to find a people, HE has to find a repentant people. We have read, the last two Sabbaths, in Malachi 4, that repentance has to happen for the LORD not to destroy everything. So who is the widow and who is this king? Evidently, this king represents GOD. The widow represents the 144 thousand who really are the wife of the LAMB who was slain and therefore the 144 thousand are a widow wife, so to speak, in quotation marks,

although later the LORD was resurrected and is now before the FATHER in the Heavenly Sanctuary. But, in this parable this word, "widow", is used to make exact reference not to any Christian, not to any person, but only to those who have obtained the victory over all, over the three enemies of salvation that are listed in the New Testament. And the 144 thousand, in obtaining the victory, will also obtain this position of being named the LAMB'S wife. They are the ones who will not taste death, will not see death. They will be transformed in an instant at the coming of the LORD and will be raised to heaven. So, what is said here is that the widow asked, and at the beginning of this chapter, in verse one, it says that the LORD told this parable exactly to encourage that there should be a people of prayer that would pray day and night, as it says in Psalms also. It speaks of priests who are in the sanctuary day and night. Then, this people will be the people of the 144 thousand. This people will be a people of priests and of kings, or of priests kings, so to speak. They will pray day and night. They will ask, "avenge me of my adversary." They will ask for vengeance, they will cry out insistently, and because of their prayers, the LORD, finally, after writing in HIS book all of those who have wanted to repent on this earth, even among the Gentiles, after this work, when HE will say "it is finished," the LORD will answer the many prayers of the 144 thousand or of this widow, and will do them justice. The cries of the 144 thousand will not be for themselves, but will be for the sake of HIS oppressed people on this earth.

They will pray that the LORD would avenge the blood of the martyrs, the blood of those who have suffered injustice in this world. They will pray and ask for everything they should ask for, because the LORD has said, "ask and it shall be given to you". It is necessary to ask. The LORD, in order to finish the history of the world, has to have a people who ask for vengeance, who ask for justice, so that HE can then fulfill it. All the words of GOD must be fulfilled. The LORD will not come to put an end to history if there will not be a people of petition, of prayer. The LORD will not come, because it is in HIS plan and in HIS conditions that HIS interventions have to come only as a consequence of the prayers of repentant sinners. That is how HE will intervene. So, let's now turn to Habakkuk. Let's read from verse 1 of chapter 1. "The burden which Habakkuk the prophet saw, How long, O I AM, shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear, and I will cry unto thee because of violence, and thou wilt not save? Why dost thou make me to see iniquity, and cause me to behold trouble, and plunder, and violence before me?" We find here the prayer of this widow of Luke, chapter 18. It is the same widow, it is the people of the 144 thousand. We need not be confused because here a dead prophet speaks, because the prophet who speaks symbolizes the 144 thousand. We have shown this principle also in the New Testament; when the LORD was speaking to the disciples, He was not really speaking to them, but He was speaking to the final generation. Matthew 24 did not speak to them, but spoke to the final generation of the 144 thousand. "How long, O LORD, shall I cry, and you will not hear?" That is exactly what we find in Luke, chapter 18. It is like a time when it seems that the LORD does not answer. It is a time when HIS people cry out in this world, but GOD IS slow to answer. And if HE is slow to answer, that is not why the people have to stop. The

people have to pray like Elijah. That is why all these people will become a fulfillment of the third Elijah. They must pray until the cloud is seen. Elijah has prayed on that mountain, after three and a half years, without rain on the earth, he has prayed without ceasing. It is not that he prayed seven times, he prayed without ceasing. He prayed until the rain came, until the cloud appeared, a small cloud that represents, in reality, the coming of the LORD JESUS CHRIST. And that scene of Elijah praying symbolizes the 144 thousand praying. So, in the book of Habakkuk, which we have commented on in another theme, we have shown that we are in the time of the trumpets and the 144 thousand are praying, asking for justice, asking for GOD's intervention, asking for the judgment of this fourth beast, or fourth kingdom on earth, a Roman power, which, again, has been given power to crush with its feet and destroy, tear in pieces everything in its path. It has been given that power. Then, the people of the saints pray and pray and pray until the LORD finishes HIS work of salvation and puts on the garments of kingship and vengeance, and unlocks HIS last seven vials. The prayer of the 144 thousand, or of this widow, will be answered in the last seven vials of GOD's wrath, in the plagues, in the last seven plagues, or, in other words, in "the terrible day that shall come upon the earth." We go now to the third chapter of Habakkuk, and here we read, "O I AM, I have heard YOUR word and feared. O I AM, revive YOUR work in the midst of the times. In the midst of the times make it known. In wrath remember mercy." This verse speaks of a moment during the time of the trumpets, when in the midst of the times the prophet asks the LORD for revival, revival which we have interpreted to be the outpouring of the latter rain, "in the midst of the times," that is, in the midst of the two prophetic times of Daniel, chapter twelve. Exactly between the one thousand two hundred and ninety days and one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days, that is, at the end of the one thousand two hundred and ninety days, the one hundred and forty-four thousand are sealed and receive the HOLY SPIRIT in the measure of the latter rain. We understand that this would be the fulfillment because this time is a time of wrath, but the wrath spoken of here is not only the wrath of GOD, but it is the wrath of GOD mixed with mercy because it is the seven trumpets that are also named, in Revelation, the first seven plagues. In total there are fourteen plagues; the seven trumpets are called the first seven plagues. That is, the last seven plagues would also be judgments of GOD, but without mercy, while the trumpets contain judgments of GOD mixed with mercy, because there is still time of grace and, at this time, also, Satan's wrath has been unleashed on the earth. We will soon read this in Revelation, where we will see that Revelation says: "the nations are angry, but YOUR wrath is come". That is, the time when the nations are angry is the time when the nations begin this terrible conflict, this world war, during the time of the trumpets. So, that is why here the prophet asks for revival for HIS work, because HIS people seem to be non-existent on earth. HIS people, as in the time of the LORD JESUS CHRIST, seem non-existent. So few were those who were awakened that there seemed to be no one on earth awakened; John the Baptist and the LORD JESUS CHRIST were the only awakened people among the Israelites and then the LORD JESUS CHRIST has awakened the eleven apostles and so the church has begun again to revive, as here

the prophet Habakkuk asks. It has started from one or two men, then it was increased to eleven plus the apostle Paul, the twelfth, and then this was extended to more people. Thus began the kingdom of GOD on earth. That is why the Bible says that GOD does not despise the time of the weak beginning, because that is how the work of GOD begins. So in this end of the world, practically, the work of GOD for the salvation of many Gentiles will begin with a very weak beginning, as it began two thousand years ago, with some people that GOD has prepared to later awaken others and then the rain of the HOLY SPIRIT will fall on this little church in the upper room. The upper room is a symbol of the heavenly sanctuary because it says that we, although we live on earth, have to be in the most holy place with our minds and with our characters. So, the people of the saints who live on earth, in reality, are with the LORD JESUS in the most holy place. So after the LORD seals HIS little church of the 144 of the thousands of Israel, the Gospel will pass to the Gentiles and then the full number of Israel will enter, just as the Bible announces. This is the sequence of events that has to be found in the past for the LORD to fulfill it again in the future. Then, the prophet asks here: "in wrath remember mercy". That is to say, apparently, it is such a terrible time of wrath that it seems that the time of grace is over, but it is not over, it is still time of mercy, the door of grace has not yet closed. That is why the prophet prays this, because the HOLY SPIRIT urges him to pray because there is still ONE who receives the prayers before the FATHER. So he prays and in the midst of this wrath of the seven trumpets, the LORD will revive HIS work; better said at the beginning of the trumpets, because the time of the wrath or anger of the nations is even before, in the seven seals, when we see that this oppressive power of Russia, this Roman beast disguised as democracy, has begun to destroy lives, to destroy civilians on this earth. The Roman beast is characterized in a special way by cruelty against civilians, against the innocent, not necessarily against armies, but it is slaughter of civilians. That is why we have seen and we have analyzed all these dictators and all these fulfillments of the Roman beast of the past and now we will have the final fulfillment of the Roman beast disguised as a lamb, that is, dictatorship disguised as democracy, as we see in Russia, in China, in North Korea and also in Turkey, although it is not communism, but it is the same Roman beast disguised as a democracy. In reality, this last beast is disguised as an angel of light. This is the reality that has been announced to us in the New Testament. Then, as a consequence of Habakkuk's prayer, in verse thirteen of Habakkuk, chapter three, it says, "You went forth to save YOUR people, to save with YOUR anointed; you pierced the head of the house of the wicked." And here it speaks of a totally unique time on earth because it says, in the seventeenth: "though the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall there be fruit on the vines, neither shall the olive tree yield fruit, neither shall the cattle live any more, yet will I rejoice in I AM, I will rejoice in the GOD of my salvation". We understand that this time is a worldwide fulfillment, a fulfillment of what has happened in ancient times in the time of the first Elijah, when, also, due to the three and a half years, even the animals, the cattle, died, they had no water, there were no trees, there were no plantations. It has been a prophetic time to symbolize this time of the trumpets, this time that for us is in the near

future and when, because of the weapons that will destroy nature, that will darken the sun and the sky, there will be no more fruit on this earth. The Bible will repeat itself, the same history of the time of Elijah will repeat itself. And now let's read one more verse here from the book of Habakkuk, chapter three, in order to understand the connection with Revelation. After the prophet asks for the revival, in verse six it says, " HE stood and measured the earth, HE looked and caused the nations to tremble and the mountains of old were broken in pieces, the hills of old humbled themselves to HIM, HIS ways are everlasting." It is a prophecy. The prophet does not understand, but writes with his words what he has seen. In reality, it is a time when the LORD pours out HIS wrath at the same time that Satan is destroying on earth. It is a terrible, terrible, terrible time, but it is still before the close of grace. So, the key word here is "measured". This word, "measured", makes us think of the measurement of the temple. So, GOD, at the prayer of the prophet, IS coming, but HE is not coming to save, HE is coming to destroy those who destroy the earth, HE is coming to fulfill HIS judgment. GOD's judgment has to be universal, that is, HE has to give their just reward to all on earth who have done wickedness. That is, not only that GOD will destroy Babylon or destroy these dictators and their dictatorships in Asia, but also that the LORD must give their just punishment to all the wicked who are described in Revelation. There is a long list of sinners who will receive their punishment. And before the final punishment, which will be after the thousand years, before that final punishment, HE has to give the just reward to these evildoers. And this is why the Bible teaches us that GOD gathers them in bundles. He gathers both HIS saints and the wicked into groups. And to understand this, we have explained that HE gathers the wicked in the cities or in the great cities, more exactly, because Babylon, in Revelation, does not represent only "the great city", which clearly refers to this huge capital of China, JingJinJi, which does business with all the kings of the earth, but Babylon is also named "the great city". That is, it also represents the big cities. The great cities have been created by Cain. The first builder of cities was Cain and then the builders of the tower of Babel, from which comes the name Babylon. The great cities in this world will be the nest of every foul bird, says the Bible, of every unclean spirit. "Foul bird" represents demons, as it explains later by saying "unclean spirit". That is, the great cities will be filled, by GOD's care, with the wicked, with all the wicked people who have to receive their punishment because they have acted wickedly in this world, without mercy, with selfishness, pursuit of riches or pleasures or all kinds of sins that we cannot even pronounce. Those who enslave people, those who enslave women, those who do all kinds of evil that are in this world, all these, the LORD promises that HE will gather them in the big cities of this world, as we can understand for now. The capitals, in a special way, because the big city of China is the capital, at the same time. I believe that, in a special way, in the capitals, probably in some other city, also, in the big, huge metropolises of the countries of the world, the LORD will gather the wicked and will make HIS people come out. According to Revelation 18, HIS people from among the Gentiles, will come out of these places where the nuclear bombs will fall, the judgments of GOD. We can see that this is logical. In World War II, the two

nuclear bombs that were dropped were not dropped on some mountain or in the wheat fields or I don't know where, but they were dropped in the middle of cities. This was so because the LORD has announced the end from the beginning. HE has shown, in the second world war, what will happen at the end. The LORD will allow these nuclear bombs that have been built and maintained until now to play their part in the end time for the punishment of the wicked. Apparently, the great cities, the metropolises of this world, are, in the eyes of the wicked, heaven on earth, the most desirable, most coveted place for everyone. To be able to live in a place of so much luxury, so much wealth, so much technology; the enemy makes cities appear like this. And we can all remember this from our youth, that cities were always shown as the apogee of civilization, the emancipation of man. And the dream of every peasant was to come to live in the cities, which many have done, sadly; then they got sick in the cities, then they had to return to the countryside. But the Bible says that GOD sends a work of deception to the wicked in order to believe a lie. That is, for them the cities will be the most desirable place on earth. That is why the LORD will gather there, in the great cities, the wicked. The LORD will not drive the wicked out of the cities and gather HIS people, but the other way around. It happens exactly as it happens with the apostate churches. The LORD takes HIS people out of there.

Two thousand years ago, the LORD brought HIS people out of Judaism and out of that temple abandoned by the SPIRIT of GOD. He will do the same with the cities.

Therefore, there in Revelation 18, where it says, "Come out from the midst of her, MY people, lest ye receive of her plagues", Babylon there represents, in general, the great cities. For, sadly, there are evildoers all over the world. The LORD has to bring HIS judgments on the whole world. And therefore, the time of the seven trumpets is a time when Satan is allowed to destroy as well. Although he first begins with the trees, the grass, he takes away a part of the light of the sun and of the moon, but then he begins with destroying a third part of the lives of men. That is, it begins with the slaughter in the last woes. Now that we have read Habakkuk 3:6, "HE stood and measured the earth," let's see when, more exactly, this event will occur. And to understand when, let's turn to Revelation 11:1. Revelation 11:1 says: "And there was given unto me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Stand, and measure the temple of GOD, and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court outside the temple do not measure, for it is given to the Gentiles, and they shall tread the holy city forty-two months". This measurement represents a registry, it represents how GOD looks at the world to see who humble themselves and spiritually worship in the temple, at the altar of GOD, and who prefer to stay in the courtyard, that is, not to enter the temple. We remember that the temple had a courtyard and next was the building of the temple. Similarly, the wilderness sanctuary, the tabernacle, had the tabernacle itself and had a court. The tabernacle itself represents heaven and represents holiness, because everything inside is for sanctification. Those who remain outside do not want to be sanctified, even if they are Christians, even if they are whatever they were, they do not want to. They may want the name of CHRIST, that is, Christian, but they do not want HIS garment, they do not want HIS righteousness, they do not want HIS bread which

is HIS word of truth. They only want the name Christian at best. But all of them are included here. And Christians who do not want the holiness of GOD are seen as Gentiles, as pagans. And the Gentiles who are named here are not all the Gentiles, but they are the wicked. Those among the Gentiles like Cornelius, for example, who in his heart worshipped GOD, loved GOD and sanctified his life, although he had not become a Christian, he was one of those who worshipped in the temple of GOD. So here we have to understand that those who are worshiping in the temple are the good ones, Christians or not, it does not matter, they are the good ones. And those in the court are the bad ones. Those who have entered the temple will one day arrive in the true temple, that is, in heaven, because the tabernacle represents, in reality, heaven. And those who remain in the court will receive punishments, judgments and eternal perdition, because the court signifies the earth, and the earth will be burned with fire and renewed, and in that fire will die, in the second death, all the wicked who have done wickedly on this earth. So, this process is represented here in chapter eleven, which is an intermediate chapter after the first six trumpets. After the first six trumpets, which we have in chapter eight and nine, we have two intermediate chapters, ten and eleven, of Revelation, which are like a parenthesis that explain certain events that take place in this time of trumpets. I could not say that it refers exactly to the time of the sixth trumpet, but it refers to the time of the seven trumpets. What happens here is after the seals. After the sealing and the outpouring of the latter rain that we have explained that is found in the first verses of chapter eight, the six angels begin to sound the trumpets. In a special way, GOD has put it this way to understand that what is described in chapter ten and eleven has to do with the time of the trumpets. And that is why, just after describing chapters ten and eleven, in verse fifteen of chapter eleven, the seventh angel appears blowing the trumpet.

So, with Bibles in hand, please may we follow this sequence, because we are going to show an outline of these events for us to be able to understand and to be able to lay down in the future other truths, other parts of prophecy. We need to have a well-drawn outline in our minds in order for us to be able to understand all the other events that are there. So, the measurement of Habakkuk is found here in chapter eleven, verses one and two. And here it is announced that for three and a half years, and it says exactly forty-two months. It says forty-two months, to understand that it is three and a half years. Let us remember that at the end, in this book of Revelation, in the prophecies of the end of the world, there is no longer prophetic time, there is no longer the equivalence of a year for a day. What is there is literal, literal times. So, here we find that three and a half years, in a spiritual sense, they will tread the holy city forty-two months. If Babylon is the evil city, the holy city has to be the opposite. The holy city must represent the opposite of tyranny. Let's say that the holy city represents democracy. Let's say that this expression, "they shall tread the holy city forty-two months", refers to the fact that Satan, the ancient serpent, or the roaring lion, whatever we want to call it, will be free to attack and do destruction in the democratic countries, for forty-two months. This is the second time of Daniel, chapter twelve, where it says that there are one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. Although here the

count comes out at one thousand two hundred and sixty, we understand that, probably, the last part of the time is a waiting time, but that in reality, for one thousand two hundred and sixty days, Satan is left to do destruction and kill. Where do we know? Let's go to verse seven, below. Chapter eleven, verse seven. In the previous verses we can notice the similarity to the work of Elijah, the time of Elijah. Elijah has prayed that no rain would fall for three and a half years. And here in verse seven it says, "And when they had finished their testimony...". The question is, what testimony? We will see further on.

"And when they had finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them." We have to give several versions because the truth advances little by little. Then we have to be open to several interpretations so that, later, the LORD will clarify which one is the true one. With the first trumpet the LORD begins to measure and the time of one thousand two hundred and sixty or one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days, this time of the seven trumpets, if it is the time when the good are separated from the bad, as we understand here, then it is the time when Revelation eighteen is also fulfilled. In Revelation eighteen it says: "Come out of her, MY people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues: for her sins have reached unto heaven". Revelation eighteen is a chapter that describes the end, so to speak, still the time of the trumpets, because the final destruction of Babylon is coming, that is, the seven last plagues are coming. And the message of GOD in this time of trumpets is that HIS people, those who want to sanctify themselves, even among the Gentiles, those who want to change from selfish to altruistic and do good as Cornelius did, they all have to come out and the angels will help them to come out of the cities of this world. So, here, in chapter eleven, we have a work of separation. One part is brought into the temple and they worship at the altar, another part is prevented from entering the temple because, in fact, they cannot enter defiled, they cannot enter selfishly, they cannot enter unrepentantly into the temple of GOD. Then there is a separation, there is a shaking, there is a final separation; it is the last separation that GOD will make in this world. And then it is said that they shall tread the holy city forty-two months, and verse three says, "and I will give power unto MY two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days." These one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth, may be the first time of Daniel twelve or the second time of Daniel twelve. If they are the first time of Daniel twelve, that is, the one thousand two hundred and ninety days, that time is the time of the seals, as we have understood so far. If it is the time of the seals, we see that in that time of the seals a work of trampling down the holy land or holy city has begun, as it says here, but in Daniel it is named glorious land; there are different words to name this land of liberty, this land of the west, of the democracies. "They shall tread the holy city forty-two months." The word "tread" refers to the Roman beast of Daniel chapter seven. Let's go to Daniel chapter seven just to read this verse, maybe some of you do not have the Bible, although you always have to have the Bible when you listen to these themes, you always have to have the Bible, you always have to write down everything, every

relationship.

And here it says, from verse seven: "And, behold, the fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth, and devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet". Exactly the same expression: "they shall tread the holy city, or the holy land forty-two months". From what we can see in the events happening on earth, this attack of the red power has begun at the beginning of the seals. That is, the Roman beast has begun to destroy in the holy land, because Ukraine, although it is not part of the European Union or NATO, Ukraine, in its character, is a democracy and it is different from Russia and it is not a dictatorship, but it is a holy land. So, if we have seen that it has started with the seals, this trampling may be this one here, forty-two months, one thousand two hundred and sixty days or three and a half years. And it says, "I will give power unto MY two witnesses." The two witnesses, for the moment, we are left with the classical interpretation that they are the old and the new testament, or they are the word of GOD, or they can be the LORD JESUS CHRIST and the HOLY SPIRIT, because both have been sent to this earth with the work of justifying the FATHER and of saving men who repent. They are two Persons of the three eternal Persons who are on this earth, that is, the LORD JESUS has been on this earth and is now in the heavenly sanctuary and after HE arrived before the FATHER, HE has asked the FATHER and the HOLY SPIRIT has been sent to this earth and currently the HOLY SPIRIT is on this earth. They are the two witnesses of the FATHER.

It can be the Bible, it can be the LORD JESUS and the HOLY SPIRIT. It is the same thing because the work of the Bible or the purpose of the Bible, the purpose of the LORD JESUS CHRIST and of the HOLY SPIRIT and of the FATHER is to save, is to sanctify, is to bring repentance, is to humble the proud, is to destroy the selfishness of the human minds and to transform, to fulfill the metanoia in the human being. Then, the LORD says that HE will give HIS two witnesses to prophesy for three and a half years. Here it does not say forty-two months, but it says one thousand two hundred and sixty days. One verse before it says forty-two months, now it says in days, one thousand two hundred and sixty days. We can notice that it does not say three and a half days. If it does not say three and a half days, it means that there is no longer prophetic time, there is no longer the equivalence of a year for a day. The days are now literal; it does not say three and a half days referring to years, it says one thousand two hundred and sixty days. That means that just as HE has sworn in the previous chapter, in chapter ten, in verse six: "the time shall be no more", that is, probably, since when the seals begin, there is no longer equivalence year for day; all times are literal. Let us read verse seven. "And when they shall have finished their testimony...". In this interpretation, the time when they finish their testimony is exactly when the trumpets begin, because we have said that, possibly, the time of prophesying or giving their testimony is the time of one thousand two hundred and ninety days of Daniel, chapter twelve. That is, the first time that is equivalent, as we have explained until today, to the time of the seven seals. That is, the testimony given by these witnesses, two witnesses, through the democratic world, because the

testimony given to all the prisoners in the dictatorships of this world, the testimony given in this world since a long time ago, is the testimony given by the democracies to the countries with dictatorships. It has been like a continuous sermon, a continuous preaching, a fragrance of life for life, for all those who want to be free and to be happy, to get out of those dictatorships, to get out of the cities, the big cities, because even in the democratic world the big cities are the place of every abhorrent bird.

And finally, probably, the capitals of the whole world, and not only the capitals, probably, in the United States, several cities will be destroyed where there is much wickedness. The LORD will withdraw HIS humble people to the countryside or other small cities, but the big cities will be destroyed. So, this fragrance of life for life is the invitation from heaven for the prisoners to be free, or for the countries, the governments, to change, for those dictators to repent, to change and become democratic countries.

And among all these countries in Asia there are lying countries, there are lying governments that have lied that they have changed, but in reality it is not so, like the government of Russia which, in reality, is a dictatorship. And the government of China, although they recognize that it is communism, they paint it as a perfect society, a perfect government, just as communism has been designed or invented at the beginning as a copy of the heavenly kingdom, a world of freedom where there are no super rich and super poor, but where everybody has and lives well. But, in reality, it is not like that even in China. China is oppressing, is putting innocent people in prison, is forbidding the knowledge of the true GOD and is implementing the worship of the president's person and of the dead, of the dead presidents. So it is a beast, actually, a beast in disguise. Likewise are other countries. Turkey, too, is the same way. Turkey has infiltrated the West, but it's actually a dictatorship. And there are also other countries like Hungary, for example, that have not accepted this preaching of the two witnesses, this preaching of giving freedom to prisoners, of giving the fundamental rights that GOD offers to HIS creatures and offering these rights to their citizens. There are countries that have not accepted this testimony of the two witnesses. So it says here in verse 7 of chapter 11: "And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war with them, and shall overcome them, and kill them". We are here in a crucial moment when the testimony is finished because the opportunity to change, of their own free will, for these dictatorships is finished. And we are at a moment when the witnesses are killed, that is to say, nothing is accepted anymore, it is a total ban, as Mao has done in the past. For those who have seen the documentary on Mao, at a time when he decided, he erased, he burned, he destroyed every memory of the West that was in his country. These witnesses will be killed. Here we have a beast coming up from the abyss. What is this beast? To understand what this beast is, let's go to Revelation 17:8. Revelation 17:8 says: "The beast which thou sawest was, and is no more, and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition". Do we understand? This beast is the fourth beast, there are no more beasts. According to the book of Daniel, there are only four kingdoms on the earth, four characters of kingdoms on this earth, according to Daniel

2, and according to Daniel 7 there are only four beasts from the time of Daniel onwards. There are only four beasts and the last beast is the dreadful beast, different from all the other beasts, it is Rome, it is the Roman character, cruel, the murderer of innocents, of civilians. This is the fourth beast and it is the same beast of Revelation, chapter 13. Let's go to Revelation, chapter 13, although here it says: "I stood upon the sand of the sea and saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns.

We have explained this chapter, we have then explained that in the second part of this chapter it seems that another beast appears, but in reality it is the same, only that it is a different government, it is a different time, different territories, different countries, but its governments give life to the same slaughter and persecution of the Roman empire of centuries ago. The other beast of verse 11 of chapter 13 is this Roman beast, in reality, but disguised, as we have said, disguised as an angel of light, as it says in the New Testament that satan will disguise himself as an angel of light. It is this beast that appears to be a lamb, but, in reality, here in chapter 13:15 it says: "It will cause that whosoever will not worship the image of the beast shall be killed". So, those who do not submit to that government will be killed. Going back to chapter 11, we understand that this beast coming up out of the abyss is like saying that it is coming up from the dead, it is like saying that its wound will be healed. This beast "shall make war with them and overcome them and kill them." And then it says: "And their dead bodies shall be in the street of the great city which, spiritually, is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our LORD was crucified." It still remains for the future to understand the full meaning of this chapter. We have explained what Sodom and Egypt means, that it is about Rome, because the LORD JESUS was crucified in the midst of the Roman empire and was killed by Rome - Sodom and Egypt. Likewise, GOD's offer, for those governments, to repent and be saved, and for those dictators, will end. They will kill, eventually, the messengers, just as was the parable of the LORD JESUS, if we remember, that in the end he sent his son to those laborers in the vineyard. And the laborers in the vineyard, who represent the earth, killed the son and said, "The inheritance is ours." It is something similar here. They will utterly, resolutely reject democracy. They, in fact, hate democracy. And I know there are many in the West, among us, who also hate or are against democracy because there has been so much misinformation about democracy. I think it has been the work of Satan, but democracy, in reality, offers freedom to people and does not oppress, although within democracies, as has happened with the churches that GOD has raised up, Satan always infiltrates and always does harm and makes what GOD has created look like something bad. So democracy, in its original definition, as GOD created it, in the United States, because that is where democracy comes from, is something that we can name the kingdom of GOD on earth. It is a government that offers liberty and the right to happiness and life to the people; it does not kill like the Roman beast. It does not persecute and imprison opponents of the government. It offers the right to speak freely, as there is in the United States, you can speak against the government. There are critical newspapers, nothing happens. But if you do this in Russia or in

China or in North Korea, then there is imprisonment and even death. So, those who don't want to live in a democracy, let them go live in these dictatorships and then they will be cured of thinking badly about this form of government which is the highest, the noblest form of government there is on this earth. There is no other. This is the closest thing to the government of GOD. And this is the holy land and the glorious land that appears in Daniel 11, and here it appears as the holy city. At the moment, this is the interpretation that we can understand. Then we see here in verse 10 of chapter 11: "the inhabitants of the earth", and we have said that earth means Asia, because earth is opposite to water. And the earth, we have said it would be the territory of Asia. "The inhabitants of the earth shall rejoice over them." They shall rejoice. When they will see that they have completely gotten rid of democracy, that is, the image of the kingdom of GOD, and have imposed their own image on the dwellers of the earth, then they will rejoice. However, they have rejected the image of GOD, they have rejected that which could have given them life and happiness and liberty, and have chosen an oppressive and criminal government, a Roman government. And it says that these two prophets have tormented those who dwell on the earth. We leave the rest of the verses for the future. However, we see here that the cloud appears, it appears that their destiny is to ascend to heaven. Practically, the end is also shown here. Then the end is that these two who have tormented the inhabitants of the earth, which in a local sense symbolizes the dictatorships, we have said Asia, although there are dictatorships elsewhere, but the land of Asia which is the land of Japheth, the land of the followers of Cain, of the one who wanted to forget GOD, wanted to erase GOD, the CREATOR, from his consciousness, is the most idolatrous land and most ignorant of GOD, most oppressed by Satan in this sense.

But in a broader sense, the earth means the whole earth, because, in reality, this whole world has been deceived by Satan to reject GOD. And, finally, GOD will take the remnant to heaven, those who have willed to sanctify their lives; they will be lifted up out of this world. The earth will be left full of wickedness, full of its ungodly inhabitants. And then these first verses of chapter eleven will also be fulfilled, the court will be left entirely to the Gentiles to receive their just punishment at the end of the thousand years. And after this whole scene the seventh trumpet is described. But for us to understand the beast coming up out of the bottomless pit, let us go a few chapters earlier, in chapter nine. In chapter nine the two woes are described. And then in chapter eleven, at the end, the last woe is described. But these two woes, according to chapter eight with thirteen, where it says: "woe, woe of them that dwell on the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpets of the three angels which were to sound". Here are the voices of the trumpets of the three angels, but they are not the three angels of the beginning of chapter fourteen, they are the last three angels of the seven angels.

These last three woes correspond with the fourteenth chapter, the verses from the seventeenth onwards, because in the fifteenth verse we have the harvest of the earth, the harvest of the good, that is, those who worship in the temple of GOD, according to Revelation eleven. And then, from verse seventeen onwards, we have the last three

angels, those who will bring about great slaughter in this world. And this will still happen in the time of grace, before the closing of the door of grace. So, going back to Revelation chapter nine, let's see some elements about these first two woes, first of all, when the fifth angel blows the trumpet: "I saw a star fall from heaven on the earth." These words remind me of the words of the LORD JESUS CHRIST when HE sent the seventy. HE has said, "I saw Satan falling like lightning from the heavens to the earth." There it says lightning, but the falling of a star is something similar also. I have seen stars fall here in the mountains that are not so far away that you can hardly see them, like in the cities. I have seen a star fall that pierced the whole sky with a huge light, a big light. So the angel that fell from heaven here to earth is satan, is Lucifer. Lucifer means something that shines, what a star does, it shines, it means star, practically. The star that fell from heaven and lost its place before the throne of GOD is Lucifer. Lucifer fell to the earth and "to him was given the key of the bottomless pit". What is the bottomless pit then? The bottomless pit, in original, is a bottomless depth, without limit, it is like an abyss, so to speak, it is an abyss. "And there was given unto him the key of the bottomless pit." I think this is an expression for the LORD to symbolize the prison where the evil angels are imprisoned. That is, GOD has restrained satan and GOD has put limits on his wickedness. But there will come a time when the LORD will give him freedom, freedom to operate on the earth. This is symbolized in Revelation 7, for example, where it says, in verse 1, "I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree." These angels stop the destruction that Satan wants to bring upon the earth. The winds are Satan's winds of destruction. They are winds of the earth. We have explained this many themes ago. That is why it is important that everyone may listen to all the themes after the war started in Ukraine, because in every theme there are important elements to understand. Although we have improved, we have changed the interpretation a little bit as we have understood, but there are elements that have remained firm as the basis of understanding. We understand that the time of the fifth angel is in these 1335 days, in the second time of Daniel, chapter 12.

This fifth angel has his time in these, more or less, three and a half years of destruction, or when no rain will fall on the earth. Why will no rain fall on the earth? In the time of the first Elijah, he had prayed insistently that no rain would fall on the earth. The rain there, from the time of Elijah, represents the HOLY SPIRIT. And here is a time when rain will not fall on the earth, because the rain has already fallen and it has fallen on the saints, on the 144 thousand. On the earth, on the wicked, rain will no longer fall, it will fall on the good. So, Satan is given permission to work, and why is he given permission? Let's read Revelation 17 to understand how GOD works. Verse 17. "For GOD has put it into their hearts to do what pleases HIM." The LORD will work HIS vengeance on a part of the wicked of this world, using the wicked, using this freedom, quote unquote, given to Satan to use his powers that he has: to China, to Russia, to North Korea, to his powers and his dictators that he has prepared. He will use them, with GOD's permission, to bring distress in the West, that is to say, to wage war for a

long time so that the wicked of the West would be punished. At least this is my understanding of it. It says here, "he opened the bottomless pit, there went up a smoke out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace." And probably that this time is the time described in Revelation 17 as the time when the ten kings give their authority and their power to the beast, verse 13. And here in Revelation 17 it says, "these shall make war against the LAMB," what we have read in Revelation 11, the witnesses. They shall make war against the witnesses of GOD, but the LAMB shall overcome them. These shall make war against the LAMB, that is, the beast, and then they shall cease to give their power and authority to the beast. That is, for a time they will not destroy the beast, but then, when the LORD says to them, they will punish the harlot, they will punish the beast, in a word, Babylon the great, they will punish that great city, they will destroy it with fire. But this will happen only after their work has been accomplished. And let's see what the work is in Revelation, chapter 9. Here it speaks of a smoke coming out of this pit and it speaks of scorpions, of a power like the power of scorpions, that is, poison, something that poisons the world. And this does not poison nature, because in verse 4 it says that "it did not harm the grass, the trees, but only the men who do not have the seal of GOD on their foreheads". Those men have already been stored up, grouped in the great cities. Then something will happen; the LORD will allow these great powers, like China, to punish, in some way, the great cities of the West. And we see here that there are five months of torment, that is to say, of suffering, of torture, with this poison that does not kill in an instant. And the word scorpion appears three times, verse 3, verse 5, verse 10. Not only does the word scorpion appear, but the word serpent also appears. The word serpent appears in verse 19. And if we remember, the LORD JESUS CHRIST has promised HIS disciples, and in fact HE has promised the 144,000, that HE will give them power to trample the host of Satan, the scorpions and the serpents, and the lions and everything. These are all symbols of demons, symbols of Satan and his army. So, here, in reality, we are dealing with an army of Satan, an army of the evil one. More than certainly it's about the army of China, in a special way, although they are an alliance, it probably won't be only China. China is the one in charge. And here it says that they have hair like the hair of women, in verse 8. "They had hair like the hair of women and teeth like the teeth of lions." And the teeth remind us of the terrible beast of Daniel 7. So, it is a Roman power that has teeth, it has poison, it has everything, it acts like a serpent and "they have hair like the hair of women". In this world there are different cultures, but in the Chinese culture, in a special way, the men had long hair like women's hair. They had very long hair. We remember from the Chinese movies in the old days. Probably that this is an attribute for us to identify that this is the Chinese army here, actually. We read in Revelation, chapter 9, that this army resembled locusts. It says the same thing in verse 3, in verse 7. And now we go to Nahum, chapter 3, and we will read that, also in Nahum, where we have shown that it is about the judgment of that capital, of this government of China that, practically, does trade with all the kings of the earth, this capital, the largest in the world, Jingjinji, which includes Beijing, but it is much bigger and it is being built right now. Here, in

Nahum 3, the same locusts appear and we are going to read verses 15 and 16. "There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts. Thou hast multiplied thy merchants more than the stars of heaven: the cankerworm spoileth, and flieth away. Thy crowned are as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, but when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they are." That is, the locusts, what they do is that they devastate everything there is, they devastate the green, they waste resources, they eat everything. So this is the characteristic of Chinese action, that is, the Chinese policy with this silk road; it wants to flood the whole world, it wants to extend north and south and towards the glorious land, as Daniel 11 says. It acts like locusts, it has multiplied its merchants more than the stars in the sky. It is the exact symbol of China, so we have no doubt that in Revelation, chapter 9, it is about China. "And upon their heads were crowns like unto gold, and their faces were as the faces of men." Horses are also mentioned. Crowns are found in chapter 13, also.

This seven-headed beast has, also, crowns and is found in verse 1 of chapter 13: "upon his horns ten crowns." So, seven heads, ten horns, ten crowns. So here it says that they also had crowns. And it speaks of lions' teeth. The lion is a symbol for the LORD JESUS CHRIST and also for Satan. In the same book of Revelation we can find both. So, it depends on the context. And the context here, because verse 13 of chapter 8 announces three "woes" for the inhabitants of the earth, means that this army is Satan's, actually. It is not the army of the west, it is the army of Satan that produces suffering and death to a third part of the inhabitants of the earth, it says here. First of all he makes them suffer five months and "the king that they had over them is the angel of the bottomless pit", which is clearly Satan. "His name in Hebrew is Abaddon and in Greek Apollyon." And in both languages it means destruction, the angel of destruction. It is the word "destroyer" that we find in the Old Testament, for example, in Micah 3, in Nahum, chapter 2, "the destroyer came up against you." We find it in Jeremiah, chapter 6, which the LORD has given us today, Jeremiah 6:26. Also in Jeremiah 30:11 and Jeremiah 23:29. And these names, Abaddon and Apollyon, are given so that the wise men of the LORD can see, in original, their meaning, and to be able to make the connection with these minor or major prophets of the Old Testament who speak of the same events, but with hundreds of years before. Then, the first "woe" is to poison the cities, practically, I understand here, the dwellers, the men. These last three "woes" affect men, while the first four "woes" have been for nature. But the last three are to destroy, to kill, to punish, because just as they will suffer five months desiring death, they have made others suffer. Here we are dealing with evil people, criminals, murderers, who have tortured and produced much suffering to innocent people on this earth. And the sixth angel, from verse 13 onwards, of Revelation chapter 9, explains that the four angels who are bound in the great river Euphrates will be loosed. These four angels are the angels that stop, probably, the destruction, the slaughter. Euphrates is a river that, if we look at it, is like a border between the western

world and Asia. That is, these four angels stop the destructive powers of Asia. "The four angels were loosed, which were ready for the hour, and for the day, and for the month, and for the year, to slay the third part of men." The third part of the inhabitants of the earth means billions of people. To kill such a large number of people, that means nuclear weapons. And nuclear weapons are sent to the great urban centers, the metropolises that are in this world. And here it describes again the army that is the same army as before, it is the same Chinese army and probably that is gathered with other armies of Asia. Here it says 200 million. It is to understand that it is not just any country, it is not just any country in the West because there is no country that has 200 million soldiers because the United States has a population of three hundred and something million. It can't have an army of 200 million. The only country that can have an army that big is China.

China has a billion and a half people and can have armies of hundreds of millions if it wants to. It describes them here as they are: terrible. And in verse 20 it says, "And the other men who were not killed with these plagues...". Let's notice that they are named plagues, but they are not the last seven plagues, they are the trumpets. We are at the sixth angel blowing the trumpet. "The other men who were not killed with these plagues did not yet repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils and images of gold and silver and brass and stone and wood, which they cannot see or hear or walk. Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts." Here we see what kind of people these are who will be punished. One third of all the wicked have been slain, and two thirds, for it says "the other men that were not slain," the others also are criminals and thieves and sorcerers and fornicators. These will all be punished in the last seven plagues. Only that here is where the punishment begins. It is likely that this third part of the men will be in the west and the last two thirds will be in Asia. Therefore, with the last seven plagues the territory of destruction is changed and the destruction comes upon Asia, upon the powers, the great cities of Asia full of wickedness, which, too, will be filled with all the wicked. And because Asia contains about two thirds of the population of the world, that is why it says here only one third, because we are in the time of trumpets and in the time of trumpets the west is tormented and attacked. But in the time of the plagues, according to Revelation 17, Babylon will be destroyed, she who has enriched all the kings of the earth will be destroyed. And probably, the punishment will be received by all the great cities full of wicked of all the countries of Asia, like Russia, like other countries. Let's finish this topic by talking a little bit also about Joel. It has also a spiritual sense, but we would like to concentrate on the literal sense because here it speaks of a terrible army. Then it talks about blowing the trumpet in Zion "for the day of the LORD is coming, for it is near." "The day of the LORD" also refers to this last time of the fourteen plagues, seven trumpets and seven last plagues. And the LORD wants Zion, that is, the West, the democracies, to be warned at this time. That is why it says "sound the trumpet in Zion", because evil is coming for the West. And then it says that those who will be left sanctified, because the purpose of that is to sanctify. One must pray not to receive the harm, the suffering, the killing and

one must ask for forgiveness according to verse seventeen. And those who will submit to this work will be removed from the places where the judgments of GOD will fall. And it says here in verse twenty: "And I will cause the northern army (i.e., the king of the north) to depart from you, and I will drive him into the dry and desolate land. His face shall be toward the east sea, and his end shall be toward the west sea." I would like to ask, what country in this world has its face toward the eastern sea? Here we are not talking about the sea, we are talking about the ocean. What is the eastern ocean in this world? Well, we have to go to the east. When we pass from China we meet the Pacific. The eastern sea is the Pacific. And if we look at China, the map of China, we see that its whole face, like the face of a man, its whole face with which it looks towards the rest of the world is towards the east. The whole coastline is a little bit to the south and to the east. That would be its face. "His face to the eastern sea and his end to the western sea." Here is written the fate of these wicked ones over there, of China. "He shall exhale his stench and his rottenness shall come up because he did great things." That is, he will have done great destructions, probably in the West. First, satan is left to destroy so that GOD will intervene and destroy the beast. So it happened with the First World War, with the Second World War. First Hitler was left to invade everything, to destroy, to kill. Then the LORD acted last and destroyed him. The same will happen at the end of the world. And let us remember that the two nuclear bombs have fallen in Asia. They have fallen there and they have put an end to the war. So the end will end with the launching of nuclear weapons from the West to the East. Although probably, first of all, they will destroy with powerful weapons, probably nuclear, or chemical, or biological, in the West, in the cities, many people. And here is a promise to those who are sanctified that they will be saved. It's practically Revelation 17, where it says, "Come out of her, MY people." It's the same thing here, "I will cause the army of the north to depart from you." And also, this verse shows that the army of the north right now, when it speaks, is in the west, is attacking, is destroying, but if they pray, if they say, "spare, oh, I AM YOUR people," if they fast and they sanctify themselves, GOD then changes the destiny of the war and the attackers will be attacked. And then it says here: "The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and dreadful day of the LORD comes". This great and dreadful day of verse 31 is the seven last plagues. And before this, at the same time with the close of grace, the sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood. "And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call upon the character of I AM shall be saved for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be salvation as I AM has said, and in the remnant which I AM shall have called." This describes the end that, practically, after this great slaughter is over, this great attack on the west during the time of the trumpets, the LORD will cause many to pray at this time, as we have shown at the beginning in Habakkuk. Many will pray and the LORD, because HE will see that many will return from wickedness, will finally punish with the seven last plagues the army of the King of the North. This we have wanted to show in Revelation as an outline to understand all these trumpets and how these chapters are all interconnected, and that, in reality, the LORD has to do justice to HIS chosen ones,

just as we have read in Luke 18. The LORD has to punish wickedness and avenge the blood of the innocent and that is why the LORD will allow all this third world war that will seem to destroy the whole earth and leave no one alive. But the LORD assures us that the 144 thousand will be left alive. May the LORD keep HIS remnant, may the LORD cause HIS remnant to be ready for the war of Armageddon, may the LORD cause the people of the 144 thousand to pray day and night and ask the RIGHTEOUS JUDGE to do justice in the earth and also to deliver the souls of HIS people from these judgments that must come upon the earth! Peace be upon Israel! Amen!

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