

The Seventh Seal

Revelation 8:1-5

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I. The Silence in Heaven – verse 1

- A. Silence in heaven is most unusual
- B. Why the silence?

II. The Seven Angels – verse 2

- A. This is speaking of a particular group
Luke 1:18-19a
- B. To stand before God – there is significance
 - 1. Place of honor
 - 2. Means ready to serve
- C. Seven angels are given seven trumpets

In the Old Testament there were 7 reasons for sounding trumpets:

1. It was sounded to show that God was intervening in the events of men.
2. It was sounded in order to prepare men for battle.
3. It was sounded to gather the people of Israel together.
4. It was sounded to command the people to march.
5. It was sounded to announce the Year of Jubilee.
6. It was sounded to mark out the first day of the seventh month.
7. Trumpets were used to accompany public worship.

III. The Censer of Gold – verses 3-5

- A. What is this angel doing?
- B. Old Testament Tabernacle
- C. Two-fold impact of verse 5

