

**Study Questions for the August 14, 2022 Sermon:
“The Trumpets of Woe”
Revelation 9**

Call to Worship: Psalm 76:7-12

1. “Fear” can mean reverence, or it can mean “an unpleasant emotion caused by the belief that someone or something is dangerous, likely to cause pain, or a threat.” How should the word be interpreted in this psalm?
2. Verse 8 states: *The earth feared and was still*. Does this passage hearken back to any passage in Revelation?
3. What does verse 9 present as the purpose of judgment?
4. *Surely the wrath of man shall praise You*. This is an odd statement from verse 10. How can the wrath of man bring praise to God?

Sermon Discussion:

5. Defend the interpretation that the “star” of verse 1 is a fallen angel, or provide a differing interpretation.
6. What evidence is presented in verses 4 & 5 that suggests the locusts are not earthly insects?
7. In verse 6, suffering people are denied the option of dying. Can you draw any conclusions from this about the role of death in a fallen world?
8. Why is it foolish for an unbeliever to look to death as an escape from suffering?

9. Read Amos 8:11-12.
 - a. Have there been historical times when there was a famine of the word of God?
 - b. How might a famine of the word of God occur?
 - c. What event do you believe that Amos was prophesying?
10. With their human faces, women's hair, and crowns of gold, the locusts might look attractive from in front (as long as they are not smiling). Can you derive any spiritual principal from this?
11. Verses 20 & 21 list a variety of sins from which men will not repent during the trumpet judgments. According to the sermon, what do all these sins have in common?
12. Have you selected anyone yet for the "Who's Your One?" program?