

**Revelation 9:16 — 12/31/17 -Study 37: Study Notes**  
**THE FIFTH TRUMPET - ALL HELL BREAKS LOOSE-LITERALLY!**

**Rev 9:1 - Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the bottomless pit.**

1. Is this star, that is “fallen from heaven to the earth,” the same as the other stars spoken of in the seal and trumpet judgements?

Star - astér, means a star (as in the sky), literally -Rev 6:13; 8:10; however, we saw that 7 stars were in the right hand of JC in Rev 1, referred to the angels/messengers of the 7 churches.

THE SEVEN TRUMPETS						
1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>
Green grass and 1/3 of the trees are burned up. Rev. 8:7	1/3 of sea becomes blood; 1/3 of ships and sea life destroyed. Rev. 8:8-9	1/3 of waters turn bitter. Rev. 8:1-11	1/3 of sun, moon, and stars do not shine. Rev. 8:12	“Locusts” wield the Beast’s military power. Rev. 9:1-12	200-million-man army; a third of mankind killed. Rev. 9:13-21	The Kingdom of God is declared. Rev. 11:15-19

2. Who is this star that is referred to as “a him”

Revelation 9:11 states that these stinging locusts have a king over them, who is called the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name is Abaddon/Apollyon-Destroyer.

If this fallen star in Rev 9:1 is the same angel in Rev 9:11 then , it is an evil angel - perhaps Satan himself.

And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. -the verb tense (fallen) indicates that he already had fallen. Satan/Lucifer is a fallen Star Eze 28:14-16, Luke 10:18.

Before his fall, Lucifer was certainly a glorious angel. Yet, there came a time when despite all his beauty and glory, he departed from the heart of God (Iniquity was found in him) and was cast out of his glorious position.

3. What is the bottomless pit and where is it located? Gk word for bottomless —(abyssos) the abyss, The bottomless pit, also know as the abyss, is a holding tank with no bottom, an abyss, a prison, a pit.

Listen, the demons know what the abyss is, begging Jesus not to send them to the abyss, because they know it is a place of torment for the demons! Luk 8:26-33

After the 7 year tribulation period, we also see it will be the very place were Satan will be bound during the 1000 year Kingdom Age, known as the Millennium. Rev 20:1-3

There is a location here on earth, that is locked and is holding demonic being.

We notice that the key to the bottomless pit is given to a demonic fallen angel- probably Satan. Please note that Satan and his demonic hordes have only the authority that God gives him. God will use their desire and delight to torment man as a means of executing His judgement on this rebellious world.

This is like the scene to a real life horror story. Satan, takes the key, unlocks the bottomless pit, .....

**Rev 9:2- So when he, (the fallen angel) opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the (simile) smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened (result) because of the smoke of the pit.**

When you think it can't get worse!!

**Rev 9:3 Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.**

These creatures coming out of the abyss swarm like locusts and sting like scorpions.

**Rev 9:4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.**

-Notice that these beings are commanded what to do. Normally locusts harm and totally consume grasses, herbs, green stuff. Thus, these beings, that came out of the bottomless pit are not regular locusts of any kind. Their purpose is to harm men. They are directed/commanded to harm men.

-And they can harm all men, except those have the seal of God on their foreheads, the 144,000 Messianic Jews.

**Rev 9:5 And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man.**

Please note that these demonic being are not acting on their own authority or power; they were given authority. Also note that their authority is limited. Boundaries placed upon them!

1st- They are limited to only being able to harm a specific group, only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.

2nd- Their authority is limited to only harm men...not kill.

3rd-Their duration of their torment is for 5 months only. But this will be 5 months of living hell.

**Rev 9:6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them,**

A 5 month period when no one dies- this would normally be a reason to rejoice, but they won't, because they will be in so much pain they will want to die! Death takes a holiday for five months.

Death occurs when the spirit vacates the body. And during this time, The spirit will not vacate the body!! And this could be one of the most awesome, horrible periods of history.

This isn't a make believe story, this is truth. This will come to pass!

This is why this is called a WOE Judgement! It is a WOE!

"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other. Mat 6:24

Years ago Bob Dylan wrote a song, "Gotta Serve Somebody,"

It may be the devil or it may be the Lord, but you're gonna have to serve somebody.

The reality is, this morning if you are not serving the Lord Jesus then you are serving Satan.

In rejecting the Lordship of Jesus for the Lordship of Satan, God now gives fully them to whom they are serving..Satan and his demonic hoards.

Don't be left behind, Do you care about your friends at work, your loved ones. Share the truth.

Ask Jesus to be your Lord and Savior.