Daniel & Revelation End-time Prophecies Sermon Series Study #46: The Lion Roar of Jesus! Revelation 10:1-3 Bible Sermon Study Notes by Cary Rodgers, pastor

What does John see in vision next after the devastating scenes of the sixth trumpet?

Revelation 10:1

1 And I saw **another mighty angel** come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow *was* upon his head, and his face *was* as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire.

Interlude (pause to teach us a lesson before the end time event):

After the scenes of the sixth trumpet, I can imagine John waiting in great anticipation to see the scenes of the final and seventh trumpet. But as he is waiting, Jesus interrupts the action known as an Interlude or break in the action.

Instead of seeing the seventh angel blow the seventh trumpet with climatic scenes of the end of the world and the coming of Jesus, John sees in Revelation 10:1 a mighty angel with **no trumpet come** down from heaven. Jesus has a specific message for the 144,000 who are sealed with the seal of the living God! What is that message?

Who is "another mighty angel" that John sees in Revelation 10:1 clothed with a cloud, with a rainbow upon His head and his face beaming like the sun and his feet flaming like a pillar of fire?

Also, what lessons does Jesus want us to understand in this interlude-VERY IMPORTANT

In Revelation 8:3 John saw "another" angel having a censer in His hand as the High Priest full of incense before the throne of God in the Most Holy Place during the time of Judgment. After the incense runs out and every case is decided, He then fills the censer with fire and cast it to the earth. Judgment is over. We already identified that this angel was not a created being, but Divine, Jesus the Archangel, Chief over all the angels that He created.

Here in Revelation 10:1 that same "another" angel is in the main focal point of the prophecy. This is Jesus Christ. He is mighty and all powerful, Archangel, chief over all His angels He created. Let's look at more of the descriptions in this text for more proof and learn some powerful lessons that Jesus is teaching us in the description of Himself.

1 - Coming down from heaven clothed with a cloud

When God was guiding the children of Israel through the wilderness to the Canaan land He manifested His glory and presence through a cloud. He guided and protected them by His glorious cloud.

Exodus 16:10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

Exodus 40:34-38

34 Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

35 And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

36 And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward in all their journeys:

37 But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up.

38 For the cloud of the LORD was upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

When Jesus moved from the Holy to the Most Holy Place in the Heavenly sanctuary before the throne of God the Father, he "came with the clouds of heaven."

Daniel 7:13

13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

How will Jesus come back to this earth a second time?

Act 1:1, 2, 9 – 11

- 1 The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,
- 2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:
- 9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.
- 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;
- 11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

When Jesus left this earth He was taken up to Heaven in a cloud. He is coming back in the same manner in a cloud.

Revelation 1:7

7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

2 – The rainbow upon Jesus' head. The rainbow is the symbol of His promise of the everlasting covenant.

Genesis 9:16

16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the earth.

2 Peter 3:9

9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Promise fulfilled (First Advent of Christ)

Matthew 1:21

21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

Promise that will be fulfilled (Second Advent of Christ)

John 14:1 – 3

- 1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
- 2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.

Jesus will come again from the heavens in a cloud to fulfills His promise to get us soon so we can live with Him forever!

<u>3 – His face shining bright as the sun.</u>

We also know this Mighty Angel is Jesus because John saw Him shining bright as the sun. Revelation 1:16.

Revelation 1:16

16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and **his countenance** was as the sun shineth in his strength.

Jesus' brightness displays his strength, power, might, and authority. The glory of Jesus physically shines bright as the sun. Peter, James, and John were able to witness this on the mountain when Jesus' full glory was revealed to them.

Matthew 17:1, 2

1 And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

2 And was transfigured before them: and **his face did shine as the sun**, and his raiment was white as the light.

Matter of fact in the everlasting kingdom there will be no need for a sun because of the bright presence of Jesus.

Revelation 21:23

23 And the city (Heavenly) had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb *is* the light thereof.

Jesus is the spiritual light to the world.

John 12:46 I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

Jesus will light your path in a world of gross darkness.

<u>4 – His feet as pillars of fire</u>

Hebrew 12:29 For our God *is* a consuming fire.

For those who submit to God and His will the fire only consumes those things that bind them. The fire of Jesus is only designed to purify their characters in the likeness of Jesus.

1 Peter 1:7

7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Jesus, the pillar of fire, will allow us to go through the fire tribulation for our purification.

But for those who don't obey God's Word and may have a form of godliness the fire is the execution of God's judgment to forever get rid of sin. The fire is His indignation against those who chose to hold on to sin and worldliness. Those who remain in sin will be totally consumed by the fire.

Ezekiel 22:31

31 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

2 Thessalonians 1:8

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Malachi 4:1

1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

The fire is God's indignation for the wicked but tribulation for purification for the righteous.

Pillar of cloud and a pillar of fire

To add - Going back to the description of Christ as one clothed in a cloud and his feet as pillars of fire clearly reveal that it was Jesus who led the children of Israel from their bondage in Egypt through the wilderness to the Canaan Land in a pillar of a cloud by day and in a pillar of fire by night.

Exodus 13:21, 22

21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.

Jesus in the cloud and in the fire was with them throughout their journey

Exodus 40:38 For the cloud of the LORD *was* upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

When you sum it up: what is Jesus revealing to the 144,000 through this picture of Jesus in Revelation 10:1? Remember the 144,000 will go through the plagues of the seven trumpets

Jesus is telling us that He is coming again in a cloud as He promised and that the light of His truth will shine bright as the sun all over the world. Satan schemes will be fully exposed, but people have to make a decision. Either we submit to the truth and allow the fire of tribulation purify us or we reject the truth and the fire of Christ will consume us.

Jesus also want us to know that like He led the children of Israel through the wilderness to the Canaan land by a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, He is also leading us through the wilderness of sin, worldliness, and the seven last plagues to the Heavenly Canaan. Jesus is our guide and He has all things in His control.

What did Jesus have in His hand and where was Jesus standing? What is Jesus in this scene revealing to us?

Revelation 10:2 ²And he had in his hand a little book (scroll) open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and *his* left *foot* on the earth.

Little Book (Greek) = booklet (scroll)

First, what is the significance about little open book in the hand of Jesus?

Opened Little Scroll Book

First of all notice that the book that Jesus has in His hand is an opened little book (scroll), it is not a closed book.

In Revelation chapter 5, Jesus was the only one qualified to open the book sealed tight with seven seals. This book is packed with prophetic messages and lessons. In Revelation chapter 6 we saw Jesus open each seal of the book one by one. After each seal was broken prophetic scene after prophetic scene followed each other of Jesus' true church vs Satan's false of the past and the last days. The book also revealed those who were killed for the gospel of Jesus in the past and those who will be killed in the near future. The last two opened seals revealed end time climatic and destructive events that will happen before and during the coming of Jesus Christ and the greatest anticipated event known to man, the coming of Jesus and our return to our heavenly home through the universe.

The book with seven seals was a book of prophecy that was opened by who? Jesus.

Remember the book of Revelation is an opened book revealing Christ, His mission, and future end time events.

Remember Daniel and Revelation are sister books. Daniel reveals some of the same end time prophecies that Revelation revealed, but...

What did God tell Daniel to do with the book?

Daniel 12:4, 9

4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

What was John instructed to do with the prophetic words of Revelation?

Revelation 22:10

10 And he saith unto me, **Seal not** the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

There are different Greek words of "time" depending on their meaning.

"Time" (Revelation 22:10) – Greek (G2540)

kairos [kahee-ros']

An occasion, that is, <u>set</u> or <u>proper time</u>: - X always, opportunity, (convenient, due) **season**, (due, short, while) time, a while. - Strong's Dictionary

We are living in that season of time NOW of the complete fulfillment of all the prophecies leading to the coming of Jesus. We have already seen the fulfillment signs and warning revealed in the books of Daniel and Revelation, but as we continue to study we will see that the opened little book as special end time prophecies and messages especially for those who live at the end of time and the 144,000.

What is revealed in the opened little book is revealed in the following scenes of the vision in Revelation 10.

It is clear that the prophetic books are unsealed at the time of the end as knowledge increases in the prophetic word of God!

<u>What does the opened little book reveal and how urgent is the message?</u> (first let's look at verse 2 again and then verses 3,4)

Revelation 10:2

2 And he had in his hand a little book (small scroll) open: and he set his **right foot upon the sea, and** *his* **left** *foot* **on the earth.**

With the opened little book in His hand, scenes afterward reveal some clues of what is inside the opened little book.

What is Jesus revealing in the little book when He sets his right foot upon the sea, his left foot on the earth?

Ephesians 3:9

9 And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, **who created all things by Jesus Christ**:

Jesus is not only our Savior, but He is our Creator that made the heavens, the earth, and the sea! He has full jurisdiction and authority over all the earth as depicted in the picture of Him standing on both the earth and the sea. Only He deserves our reverence and worship.

As one who has all power and authority, what message did Jesus leave with His disciples before He went back to heaven?

Matthew 28:18-20

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

Jesus who as all power and authority, commands and authorizes us to go into ALL the world teaching the gospel of Jesus unto the END of the world or the end of time.

The authorization from Jesus to GO ye in all the world has been our command since the time of the apostles, but you will see as we continue our study that the message becomes more urgent as we near the end of time.

<u>What did Jesus do next while standing on both the earth and sea illustrating his power and authority</u> <u>over all the earth?</u>

Revelation 10:3

3 And **cried with a loud voice**, as *when* a **lion roareth**: and when he had **cried**, seven thunders uttered their voices.

The Roar, The Loud Cry!

Lions are known as the king of the jungle. Jesus is the king of His eternal kingdom. The roar of a lion can be heard 5 miles or more away! The roar of Jesus, His LOUD CRY, will be heard around the world! The roar of a lion communicates a message to His lion family known as a pride. The roar of Jesus communicates a very urgent message to the whole world in the last days. Mighty roar of a lion sometimes let other lions know that there is danger nearby. The mighty roar of Jesus is warning to all people on this earth that danger is nearby. The roar of a lion invokes fear and respect. The roar of Jesus, the LOUD CRY, should invoke fear (respect) and worship to the King of the everlasting kingdom. The roar of a lion is not only used to proclaim territory but also to rally straying members of the pride. The roar of Jesus not only claims the earth and heaven as His but also rallies the straying into formation of Christ to do the things of God in the last days.

Jesus the Lamb of God is the Lion out of the tribe of Judah that roars like a Lion to cry the urgent prophetic messages. He is the only one qualified to open the little book!

Revelation 5:5

5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the **Lion of the tribe of Juda**, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

The Roar of prophecy before destruction:

The Roar or Cry of Christ is Urgent before destruction. He has always warned His people before destruction comes.

Jeremiah 25:30-33

30 Therefore **prophesy** thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall **roar from on high**, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily **roar upon his habitation**; **he shall give a shout**, as they that tread *the grapes*, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

31 A noise shall come *even* to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.

32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

Destruction destruction is coming.... Are you sealed in the truth?

Zephaniah 1:3, 14 - 18

3 I will consume man and beast; I will consume the fowls of the heaven, and the fishes of the sea, and the stumblingblocks with the wicked; and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.

14 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

16 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD'S wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

Before destruction what MUST we do?

Zephaniah 2:2-3

2 Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORD'S anger come upon you.

3 Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD'S anger.

The Lion's Roar of Prophecy REVEALED!

Amos 3:7, 8

7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.
8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?

It is clear from what we have studied so far that the opened little book in the hand of Christ has an urgent prophetic last day message that must be roared or given with a LOUD CRY throughout the entire world before destruction or the wrath of God, seven last plagues/seven trumpets.

What specific urgent message does the opened little book contain that must be given with a ROAR or LOUD CRY in the last days?

The scene of Jesus in Revelation 10 take us to the first angel's message of Revelation 14:7 (2nd half of Revelation) which is a part of the 3 Angels Messages. The urgent message that God's people are to give NOW!

<u>Revelation 14:6 - 12</u>

- 6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,
- 7 Saying with a **loud voice**, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

Those who truly fear God are FEARLESS! They are not afraid to stand for the right. They "cry aloud and spare not" (Isaiah 58:1) God messages of TRUTH. They are fearless soldiers of Christ...

This first angel (messengers) giving the everlasting gospel to ALL the world – with a LOUD urgent ROAR ... the first angels' messenger as a time prophecy reveals that we are in the midst.

When did the investigative judgment begin? We learned from our previous studies that Daniel 8:14 reveals the 2300 years prophecy that the sanctuary in Heaven would be cleansed. In other words, Jesus as High Priest will go from the holy place to the most holy place and the investigative judgment would begin. The interpretation of that time prophecy was given to us in Daniel 8:24 -27 which told us when the 2300 years began. It began with the decree to restore and rebuild the city of Jerusalem after Babylonian captivity in 457BC. Once you add 2300 years to 457BC, it reveals the exact time the investigative judgment in heaven began. Note:

there is no zero year so you must add 1 to 1843 to get 1844. Since 1844 we have been living in the time of judgment. This is a very urgent last day message.

The urgent message continues to the second angel and third angel follows with the intense urgency

- 8 And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
- 9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
- 10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
- 11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.
- 12 Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

The 3 angels message is an urgent message that has been given since 1844, but it will swell into a ROAR or LOUD CRY as the "Mark of the Beast" is in full force (study later).

Revelation 13:16, 17

- 16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:
- 17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

At that time the 3 Angels message will be heighten into a LOUD CRY or ROAR to all the world, it will be joined by a fourth angel that makes a GREAT URGENT CRY:

Revelation 18:1-4

1 And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

2 And he **cried mightily with a strong voice**, saying, Babylon (confusion by mixing worldliness and truth) (Head of Babylon- Papal Rome, Churches in rebellion and ALL false religions) the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people**, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues (seven last plagues).

Which message since 1844 is more urgent that we are living in the time of the judgment or that Jesus is coming soon?

The opened little book that Jesus has in His hand as he stands on the earth and the sea MUST go forth as a lion's roar to the whole world. But as we get closer to the end of time it will swell into A LOUD CRY. This is the last urgent message to God's people to get OUT of Babylon!

To be continued next Sabbath!