

## Revelation 9

### Table Revelation 9:1-21

- 1 *And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.*
- 2 *And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.*
- 3 *And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.*
- 4 *And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.*
- 5 *And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.*
- 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.*
- 7 *And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.*
- 8 *And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.*
- 9 *And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.*
- 10 *And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.*
- 11 *And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.*
- 12 *One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.*
- 13 *And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,*
- 14 *Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.*
- 15 *And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.*
- 16 *And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.*
- 17 *And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.*
- 18 *By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.*
- 19 *For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.*

20 *And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:*

21 *Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.*

See Dr Ruckman's commentary *The Book of Revelation* pp 187-197 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 974, 1237, 1642, 1653-1654.

1. **Revelation 9:1-2.** Concerning **"the bottomless pit"** Revelation 9:1, 2 itself see attached **Figure 1 Earth and "The Nether Parts of the Earth"** and associated studies that show that the Lord is God of **"the lowest hell"** Deuteronomy 32:22, Psalm 86:13 and **"the heaven and heaven of heavens...heaven and the heaven of heavens"** 1 Kings 8:27, 2 Chronicles 6:18 and **"...the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase"** Daniel 4:37.

Note that **"a star"** is a term for an angel in that **"...they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever...Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection"** Daniel 12:3, Luke 20:36.

This angel's fall **"from heaven unto the earth"** with his description as **"a star"** appears to be equivalent to Matthew 28:2-3 **"...the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow"** with the added provision that to effect his task he must receive **from the Lord "the key of the bottomless pit"** because **the Lord** testifies that **"I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death"** Revelation 1:18.

Today's believer with respect to the *key* or *means* for effective ministry should remember Paul's testimony **"For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries"** 1 Corinthians 16:9 therefore abide by 2 Corinthians 3:5-6 **"Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God; Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament..."**

Revelation 9:2 is a plain statement of fact but is a reminder of the *reality* of Matthew 13:41-42, 49-50 **"The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth...So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth."**

Today's believer should therefore steadfastly seek to apply 2 Timothy 4:2 **"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine."**

2. **Revelation 9:3-6.** Revelation 9:3-6 reveal that this swarm of scorpion-like locusts from **"the bottomless pit"** Revelation 9:1, 2 have a *designated* task to inflict months-long **"torment...as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man"** Revelation 9:5 upon *men* according to the following analysis.

God promised Noah and his sons **"I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth...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"** Genesis 9:13, 16.

However with reference to Genesis 9:13, 16 Isaiah prophesies tellingly for the End Times that **"The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant"** Isaiah 24:5.

That defilement is starkly revealed in that *now* in a very particular sense **"...that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God"** according to Leviticus 18:22 **"Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination"** with the sodomites even having hijacked what *God* gave as **"a token of a covenant between me and the earth...the ever-**

**lasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth**” as this item shows. See with the following extract

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### LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Pride (1978)

[Rainbow flag \(LGBT movement\)](#), the most widely recognized version

Main article: [Rainbow flag \(LGBT movement\)](#)

The rainbow flag was popularized as a symbol of the [gay](#) community by [San Francisco](#) artist [Gilbert Baker](#) in 1978. The different colors symbolize diversity in the [gay community](#), and the flag is used predominantly at [gay pride](#) events and in [gay villages](#) worldwide in various forms including banners, clothing and jewelry. Since the 1990s, its symbolism has been transferred to represent the extended “[LGBT](#)” ([lesbian](#), [gay](#), [bisexual](#) and [transgender](#)) community. For the 25th Anniversary of the [Stonewall riots](#), held in 1994 in New York city, a mile-long rainbow flag was created and post-parade cut up in sections that have since been used around the world.



The flag was originally created with eight colors, but [pink](#) and [turquoise](#) were removed for production purposes, and since 1979 it has consisted of six colored stripes. It is most commonly flown with the red stripe on top, as the colors appear in a natural rainbow...

The scorpion-like locusts from “[the bottomless pit](#)” Revelation 9:1, 2 therefore in a very potent way implement in a *lingering* manner 1 Corinthians 15:56 “[The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.](#)”

Today’s believer should therefore be consistently “[Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers](#)” Titus 1:9.

The men with “[the seal of God in their foreheads](#)” Revelation 9:4 are *Jewish* End Times saints described in Revelation 7:4, 14:1 “[And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel...And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father’s name written in their foreheads.](#)”

Today’s believer should certainly aspire *practically* to what is said of them in Revelation 14:5 “[And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.](#)”

3. [Revelation 9:7-11](#). Revelation 9:7-11 describe a Darwinian nightmare of *devolution* i.e. “[...locusts...like unto horses prepared unto battle...and their faces were as the faces of men. And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron...And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails](#)” Revelation 9:7-10. The grotesque mutant monsters from “[the bottomless pit](#)” Revelation 9:1, 2 are therefore a hideous *devolutionary* amalgam of acrididae, arachnids, equine creatures, feline creatures and human creatures of both genders. By inspection, the mutants’ exclusive functions are to inflict harm and wage war, which they do in spades, being even “[fenced with iron](#)” 2 Samuel 23:7 for the purpose.

It is not surprising therefore that in the earthly evolutionary context Karl Marx followed Darwin, as Vance Ferrell explains [[The Evolution Handbook](#) Vance Ferrell, Evolution Facts, Inc. 2005 p 33] “*Karl Marx (1818-1883) is closely linked with Darwinism. That which Darwin did to biology, Marx with the help of others did to society. All the worst political philosophies of the 20<sup>th</sup> century emerged from the dark cave of Darwinism. Marx was thrilled when he read Origin of*

*the Species; and he immediately wrote Darwin and asked to dedicate his own major work, Das Kapital, to him. Darwin, in his reply, thanked him but said it would be best not to do so.*"

That's the cautious Englishman versus the aggressive German. In any event as with the Darwinian mutants from "**the bottomless pit**" Revelation 9:1, 2 it may be truthfully be said of the Darwinian mentors "**Destruction and misery are in their ways: And the way of peace have they not known**" Romans 3:16-17.

Researcher Ian Taylor [*In The Minds Of Men, Darwin And The New World Order* Ian T. Taylor, TFE Publishing, 1991, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, p 137] notes Marx's antagonism towards Christian belief.

*"The founding father of communism, Karl Marx, recognized that "religion is the opium of the people" (Marx 1843). He further recognized that religious beliefs stood in the way of the vision for a new world order, while heading that list of religions was Bible-based Christianity."*

Thankfully before the events of Revelation 9 come to pass the Lord will have implemented for today's believer 1 Thessalonians 5:9 "**For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.**"

It is noted that concerning the locusts "**...on their heads were as it were crowns like gold**" Revelation 9:7. That is because "**...they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon**" Revelation 9:11. Note further that "**Abaddon...Apollyon**" mean "**the destroyer**" Exodus 12:23.

The enemy is of course constrained to follow the manner in which, practically speaking, the Lord rewards the faithful saint according to Psalm 21:3 "**For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.**"

It is not surprising therefore to see that the expectation that servants of the crown will be faithful to the crown is manifest in their headgear. See the attached studies **British Police Badge Designs – Significance** for more detail and **Seven Aspects of 'in the Greek'** for the significance of the expression "**in the Greek**" Revelation 9:11.

Concerning the disclosures of Revelation 9:7-11 how different it is for today's believer "**in Christ...a new creature**" 2 Corinthians 5:17 obedient to Isaiah 52:7, Romans 10:15 "**How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation...as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!**"

4. **Revelation 9:12-19.** Revelation 9:12 emphasises the fact of Isaiah 3:11 "**Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him.**"

Revelation 9:13-15 emphasise that binding and loosing are the prerogative of God as He revealed with Ezekiel in Ezekiel 4:8 "**And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege**" not only for men but even for "**...angels, which are greater in power and might...**" 2 Peter 2:11. "**the four angels**" Revelation 9:14 are designated to ensure that God's judgements of Revelation 9:16-19 are inflicted across "**the four quarters of the earth**" Revelation 20:8 and it should be noted for God's *fourfold retribution* against a pitiless evil-doer as expressed ironically by the man himself in 2 Samuel 12:6 "**And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.**"

Moreover God's timing and tasking are precise for the fulfilment of His revealed will as shown by Isaiah 43:8 "**I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did them suddenly, and they came to pass**" and Habakkuk 2:3 "**For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.**"

Today's believer should therefore abide by Psalm 130:5 **"I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope."**

A simple calculation from Revelation 6:8, 9:15, 18 reveals that the death toll to the end of Revelation 9 is  $\frac{1}{4} + (\frac{3}{4})^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$  of the world's population, **"the four angels...the army of the horsemen"** Revelation 9:15-16 finishing what **"the...locusts upon the earth"** Revelation 9:3 started including details of the fatal casualties inflicted but even that is evidently *not* the end.

As the Lord warns in Isaiah 13:9, 12 **"Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it...I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir."**

Revelation 9:16 gives a precise number because **"...the very hairs of your head are all numbered"** Matthew 10:30, Luke 12:7.

See the attached study **"Dragon(s)" – "What saith the scripture?" Romans 4:3, Galatians 4:30** for details with respect to **"...the army of the horsemen...the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them"** Revelation 9:16-17. However they are deployed on earth they are clearly more monstrosities from **"the bottomless pit"** like **"the locusts...upon the earth"** Revelation 9:1, 2, 3. **"...the army of the horsemen...the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them"** manifest equine, feline, *poisonous* serpentine and human or humanoid attributes only but similar remarks apply as for **"the locusts...upon the earth"** Revelation 9:1, 2 as found under Revelation 9:7-11 concerning a Darwinian *devolutionary* nightmare.

Revelation 9:17 **"...and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone"** obviously associates these mutants with **"hell fire"** Matthew 5:22, 18:9, Mark 9:47.

Today's believer should therefore always be prepared to testify to Proverbs 15:24 **"The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath."**

5. **Revelation 9:20-21.** Noting that as highlighted by the graphics **“For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man”** Mark 7:21-23 and in terms of devil worship as Paul exhorts **“But I say, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils”** 1 Corinthians 10:20-21 Revelation 9:20-21 reveal the pre-Second Advent outcome of Jeremiah 17:9, Zechariah 7:12 **“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked... Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets: therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts.”** See

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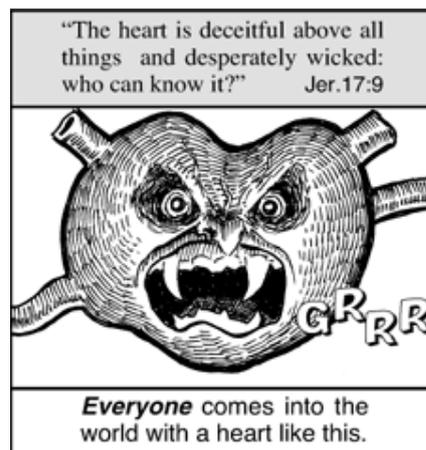
**“...stubbornness...as iniquity and idolatry”** 1 Samuel 15:23 will nevertheless give way to **“...fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth”** Isaiah 2:19, 21.

See [www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/) Revelation 6 pp 13-14 and this extract with no change of format.

Revelation 6:15-17 is the End Times fulfilment at the Second Advent concerning *all* men and their *idolising* of **“wisdom...earthly, sensual, devilish”** James 3:15 whereby **“...God made foolish the wisdom of this world...”** 1 Corinthians 1:20 of Isaiah 2:17-21 **“And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. And the idols he shall utterly abolish. And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth. In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats; To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.”**

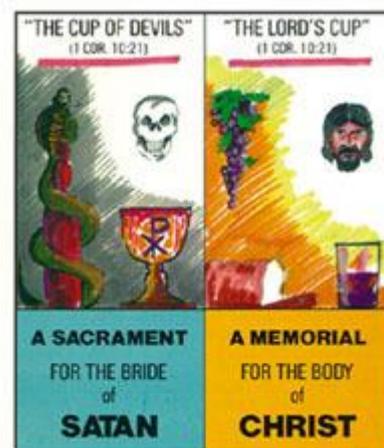
Thus will come to pass God’s answer to the cry of His servants. **“Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, and with the contempt of the proud”** Psalm 123:4.

Men *know* that supposed *natural* calamities that will be very much in evidence in the second half of Daniel’s 70<sup>th</sup> Week and intensifying leading up to the Second Advent are in reality *supernatural* as revealed with respect to God in Job 9:6-7 **“Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble. Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars”** and in Psalm 147:18, 148:8 **“He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold? He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow...Fire, and hail; snow, and vapour; stormy wind fulfilling his word.”** See graphic.



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Therefore as Paul states, *vindicating God's judgements of Revelation 6:1-17* **"For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse"** Romans 1:20.

Today's believer should there seek to abide by Psalm 40:4 **"Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies."**



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In sum for Revelation 9:20-21 and the above analysis today's believer for whom John declares **"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God..."** 1 John 3:1 should always seek to abide by Proverbs 4:4, 2-23 **"He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live...My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."**

### *Conclusion*

Noting the particular *doctrinal* application to the Church Age saint of Roman 8:38-39 ***“For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord”*** Jude 20-23 nevertheless have strong *practical* application for today’s believer in the light of Revelation 9.



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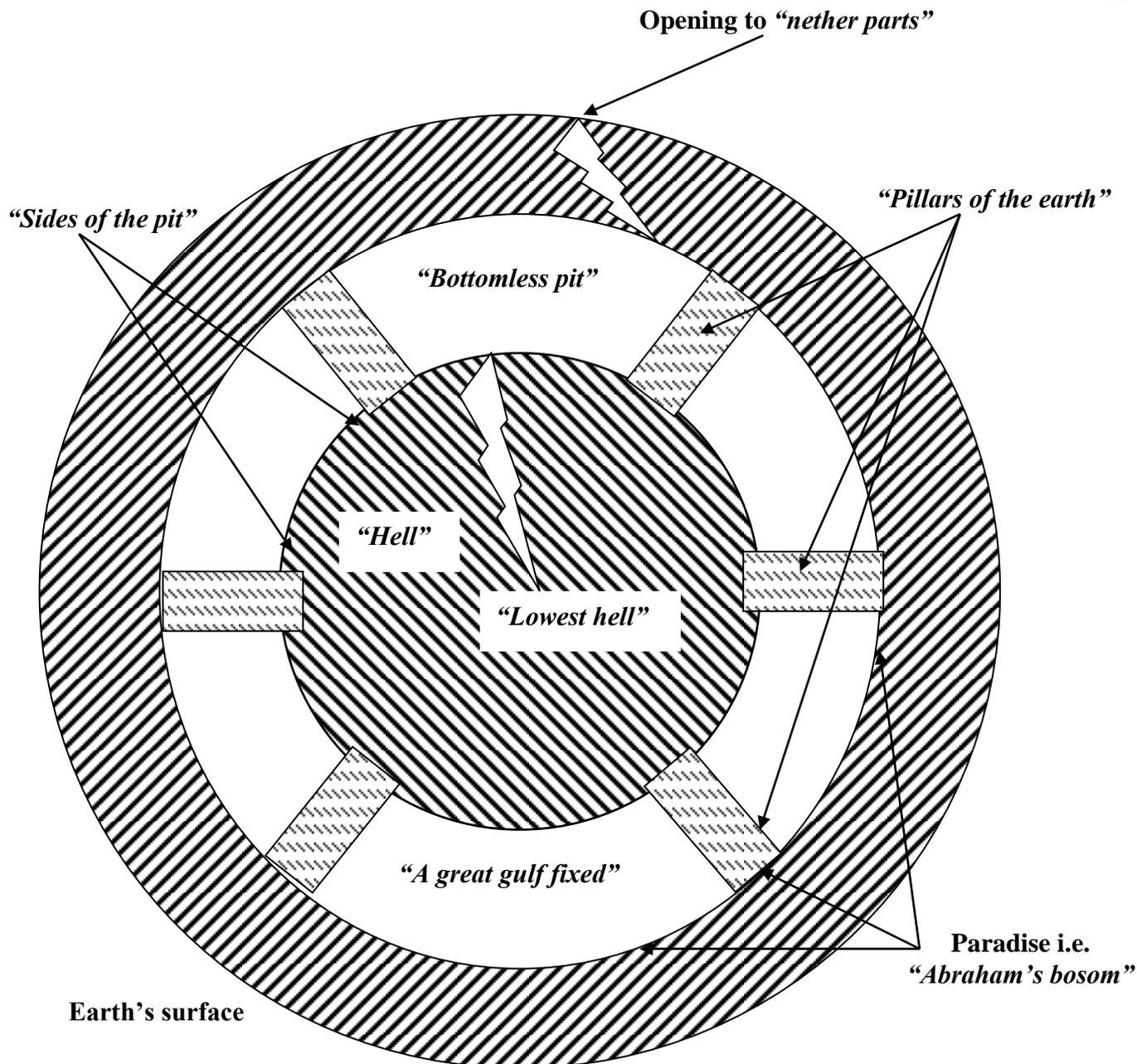
## **Revelation 9 Study Questions and Sample Answers**

### **Study Questions**

1. What do Revelation 9:1-11 reveal about earth's interior?
2. What do Revelation 9:1-11, 15-19 reveal about **"the inhabitants thereof"** Job 26:5?
3. What does Revelation 9:11 reveal about 'the Greek' so-called?
4. What do Revelation 9:20-21 reveal about the nature and destiny of men without God?
5. What should be today's believer's response?

### **Sample Answers**

1. **"Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof. Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering"** Job 26:5-6.
2. The key descriptors are cruelty according to 1 Kings 12:11, 2 Chronicles 10:11 **"And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions...For whereas my father put a heavy yoke upon you, I will put more to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions"** and ferocity according to Habakkuk 1:7-8 **"They are terrible and dreadful...Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are more fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the eagle that hasteth to eat."** Revelation 9:1-11, 15-19 reveal that these monstrosities emerge from their subterranean habitation at the Lord's bidding in at least part-fulfilment of Micah 5:15 **"And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard."**
3. **"But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ"** 2 Corinthians 11:3.
4. **"...yea, also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that they go to the dead"** Ecclesiastes 9:3.
5. **"For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more...I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some"** 1 Corinthians 9:19, 22.



**Figure 1 Earth and “The Nether Parts of the Earth”**

**Figure 1 - Key to Texts.** N.B. **“Hell”** occurs 54 times in **“the scripture of truth”** Daniel 10:21

**“A great gulf fixed”** Luke 16:26

**“Abraham’s bosom”** Luke 16:22

**“Bottomless pit”** Revelation 9:1, 2, 11, 11:7, 17:8, 20:1, 3

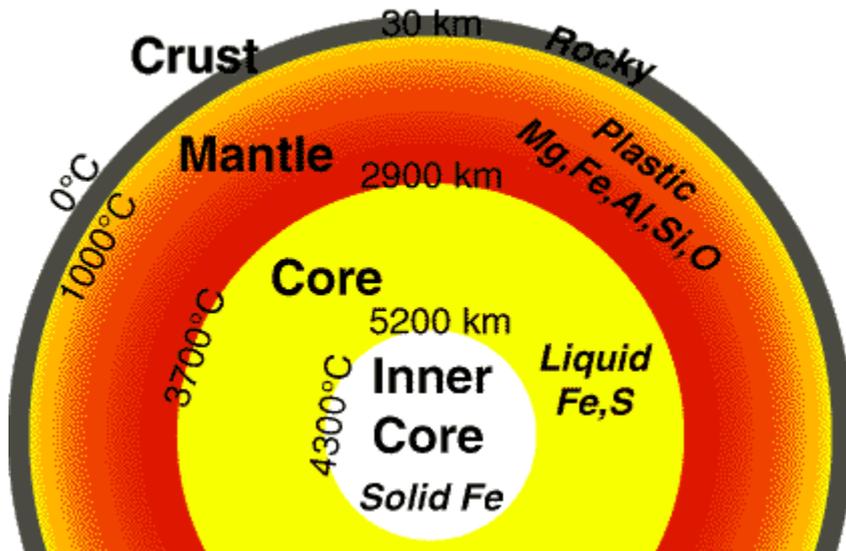
**“Hell”** (*sheol\**) Deuteronomy 32:22; 2 Samuel 22:6; Job 11:8, 22:6; Psalm 9:17, 16:10, 18:5, 55:15, 86:13, 116:3, 139:8; Proverbs 5:5, 7:27, 9:18, 15:11, 24, 23:14, 27:20; Isaiah 5:14, 14:9, 15, 28:15, 18, 57:9; Ezekiel 31:16, 17, 32:21, 27; Amos 9:2; Jonah 2:2; Habakkuk 2:5 (*hades\**) Matthew 11:23, 16:18; Luke 10:15, 16:23; Acts 2:27, 31; Revelation 1:18, 6:8, 20:13, 14, (*geena\**) Matthew 5:22, 29, 30, 10:28, 18:9, 23:15, 33; Mark 9:43, 45, 47; Luke 12:5, James 3:6, (*tartarus\**) 2 Peter 2:4. \*The distinctions are irrelevant in English

**“Lowest hell”** Deuteronomy 32:22, Psalm 86:13.

**“Nether parts of the earth”** Ezekiel 31:14, 16, 18, 32:18, 24

**“Pillars of the earth”** 1 Samuel 2:8

**“Sides of the pit”** Isaiah 14:15, Ezekiel 32:23



The earth is divided into four main layers: the **inner core**, **outer core**, **mantle**, and **crust**. The core is composed mostly of iron (Fe) and is so hot that the outer core is **molten**, with about 10% sulphur (S). The inner core is under such extreme **pressure** that it remains solid. Most of the Earth's mass is in the mantle, which is composed of iron (Fe), magnesium (Mg), aluminum (Al), silicon (Si), and oxygen (O) **silicate** compounds. At over 1000 degrees C, the mantle is solid but can deform slowly in a **plastic** manner. The crust is much thinner than any of the other layers, and is composed of the least dense calcium (Ca) and sodium (Na) aluminum-silicate minerals. Being relatively cold, the crust is rocky and **brittle**, so it can fracture in **earthquakes**.

**Figure 2 Earth's Interior – from the Nevada Seismological Lab<sup>1</sup>**



**Aurora Borealis**



**Aurora Australis**

**'Cosmic Curtains' - "They stand as a garment" Job 38:14b**

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***“The High Arm Shall Be Broken” Job 38:15b***

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**Mohammedanism** [www.zionism-israel.com/ezine/IsllamReligionofPeace.htm](http://www.zionism-israel.com/ezine/IsllamReligionofPeace.htm)



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## British Police Badge Designs - Significance

[British Police Online Museum www.pmcc-club.co.uk/museum/index.php](http://www.pmcc-club.co.uk/museum/index.php)

### Introduction

British police badges show the British Crown at the top with an empty cross above the crown. This design is typical for UK police forces past and present. See figures above, *Ethics in Policing* [www.ethicsinpolicing.com/countryDetails.asp?id=225](http://www.ethicsinpolicing.com/countryDetails.asp?id=225) and *Crown and cross stay on police badge* [news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/2193265.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/england/2193265.stm). The design therefore has great significance, with respect to both what it is *not* and what it is.

### Significance – What the Police Badge Design is NOT

It is not this: [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT\\_symbols#Lambda](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_symbols#Lambda).



It is not this: [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swastika](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Swastika).



It is not this: [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hammer\\_and\\_sickle](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hammer_and_sickle).

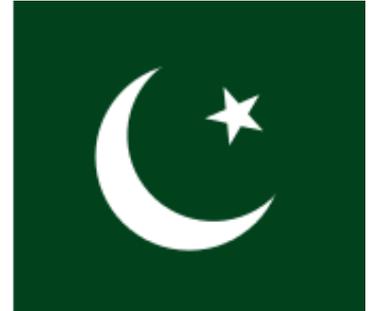


It is not this: [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Freemasonry](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Freemasonry).



It is not this: [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag\\_of\\_Pakistan](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag_of_Pakistan).

Note that the last four emblems have one source. See: [www.chick.com/reading/tracts/1077/1077\\_01.asp](http://www.chick.com/reading/tracts/1077/1077_01.asp) *Mama's Girls*.



It is not either of these:



[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag\\_of\\_Europe](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag_of_Europe)



[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag\\_of\\_the\\_United\\_Nations](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flag_of_the_United_Nations)

### ***Significance – What the Police Badge Design IS***

The British police badge design shows that all aspects of upholding law and order in the realm of the British Crown are subject to Him for Whom the Cross is empty: “***...our Lord Jesus Christ...who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords***” 1 Timothy 6:14-15. However, the Lord Jesus Christ Himself has subjected Himself to “***the scripture of truth***” Daniel 10:21 “***...for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name***” Psalm 138:2.

The British Crown is itself therefore subject to “***the scripture of truth***” via The Coronation Oath. See *Royal Law – James 2:8* [www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/). The Oath is sealed with a copy of the King James Bible presented to the monarch with these words, spoken at Queen Elizabeth II’s coronation by the Moderator of the Church of Scotland.

***“Our gracious Queen: to keep your Majesty ever mindful of the Law and the Gospel of God as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes, we present you with this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is Wisdom [Revelation 13:18]; This is the royal Law [James 2:8]; These are the lively Oracles of God [Acts 7:38].”***

For law and order and indeed governance for Britain and the Old Dominions, they still are.

***“The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations”*** Psalm 33:11.

## Seven Aspects of ‘in the Greek’

Based on Dr Donald Waite and *The DBS* [Dean Burgon Society], *Dead Bible Society* pp 32-34

### “In the Greek” – Once Only in Scripture!

1. No single, definitive Greek text exists<sup>2</sup>. As Gail Riplinger shows, “**in the Greek**” Revelation 9:11 is “**upon the sand**” Matthew 7:26 and “**ready to fall**” Isaiah 30:13 with “**none to help**” Psalm 107:12.
2. Koine i.e. New Testament Greek is a dead language. The DBS<sup>3</sup> admits “**Biblical Greek is a dead language**” but 1 Peter 1:23 says “**The word of God...liveth and abideth for ever.**” So “**the word of God**” cannot be “**in the Greek.**” Moreover, neither 1600’s writers like Shakespeare nor Greek philosophers can dictate Bible word meanings or usage. Dr Hills<sup>4</sup> states.

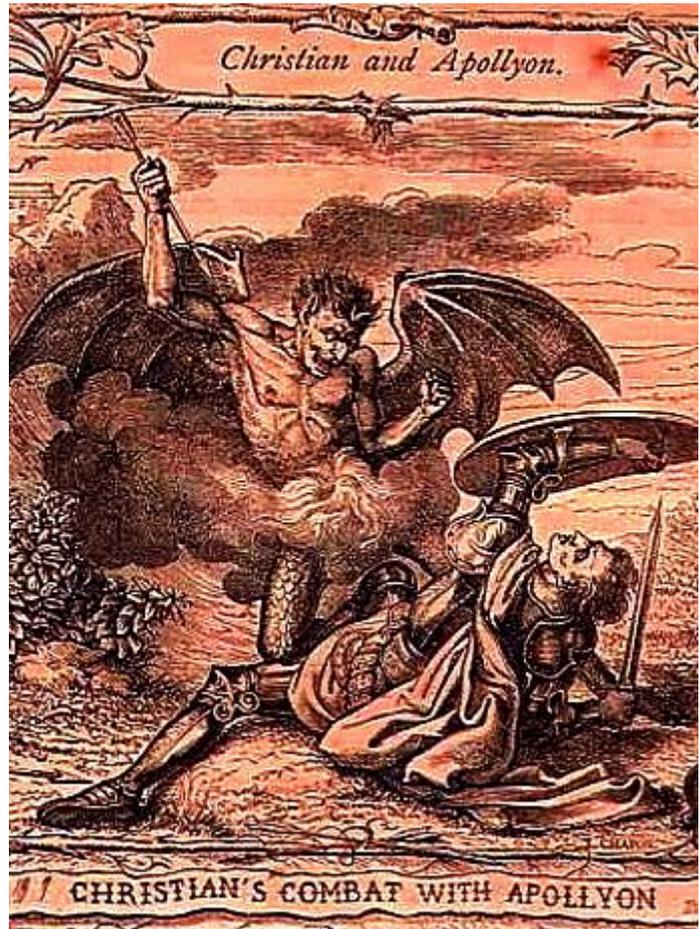
“*The English of the King James Version is not the English of the early 17<sup>th</sup> century. To be exact, it is not a type of English that was ever spoken anywhere. It is biblical English, which was not used on ordinary occasions even by the translators who produced the King James Version...Even in their use of thee and thou the translators were not following 17<sup>th</sup>-century English usage but biblical usage, for at the time these translators were doing their work these singular forms had already been replaced by the plural you in polite conversation.*”

David W. Norris<sup>5</sup> states:

“*Shakespeare certainly knew how to use English, but he also knew how to be vulgar, suggestive, and anything but pure-minded in his writing. Rather than being so much influenced itself by the language around it, the Authorised Version has given to the English language many words, phrases, and proverbs...[it has] had an impact on English prose that remains to this day.*

“*The 1611 Bible was never the ‘modern version’ of its day. The Authorised Version possesses its own unique English. It gave to English far more than it took from it...Bible words must be defined for us by the way they are used in the Bible itself. Scripture is its own lexicon [see *The Language of the King James Bible* and *In Awe of Thy Word*, Parts 1-4, both by Dr Mrs Riplinger]...It is for preachers of the Word to explain and expound these words according to their very specific biblical usage, which will often be different from their secular use. For example, dikaiosune is translated ‘righteousness’ in our Authorised Version, but in English translations of the Greek philosopher, Plato, the same word is translated ‘justice’. Dikaiosune when used in Scripture means to be right before God, to be as we ought before God, to stand in a right relationship to Him. Used in Plato, it means to be right with our fellowmen, to be as we ought with other men. In Scripture, the word is directed towards God, in Plato towards men.*”

Plato leavens the 1984 NIV in Acts 17:31, Romans 3:25, 26, Hebrews 11:33, Revelation 19:11, where “**righteousness**” is changed to “**justice.**” The 2011 NIV has “**righteousness**” in Romans 3:25, 26 but retains “**justice**” where “**righteousness**” is “**through faith**” Hebrews 11:33 and



“**The angel of the bottomless pit...in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon**”

Revelation 9:11 (!)

where God **“will judge the world”** Acts 17:11 and **“judge and make war”** against it Revelation 19:11. **“Sinners...are afraid”** Isaiah 33:14 of that **“righteousness”** and would prefer Plato!

3. Koine Greek was a stage in the development of the scriptures, Psalm 12:6, 7, with God bringing forth vernacular Bibles in many languages<sup>6</sup>; Latin, Syriac, Gothic, German, English etc. However, Koine Greek is now history, as Dr Mrs Riplinger explains<sup>7</sup>, this writer’s emphases.

*“The desire to appear intelligent or superior by referring to ‘the Greek’ and downplaying the common man’s Bible, exposes a naivety concerning textual history and those documents which today’s pseudo-intellectuals call ‘the critical text,’ ‘the original Greek,’ the ‘Majority Text,’ or the ‘Textus Receptus.’ There existed a true original Greek (i.e. Majority Text, Textus Receptus). It is not in print and never will be, because it is unnecessary. No one on the planet speaks first century Koine Greek, so God is finished with it. He needs no ‘Dead Bible Society’ to translate it into “everyday English,” using the same corrupt secularised lexicons used by the TNIV, NIV, NASB and HCSB [Holman Christian Standard Bible]. God has not called readers to check his Holy Bible for errors. He has called his Holy Bible to check us for errors.”*

4. Paul never said go to ‘the Greek’ for what God ‘really’ said. “Except ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken?” 1 Corinthians 14:9.
5. Few can master Koine Greek. They risk becoming ‘Protestant popes,’ **“highminded”** 2 Timothy 3:4, like 33<sup>rd</sup> Degree Royal Arch Masons, i.e. only those taught ‘the (Greek) mysteries’ know what God ‘really’ said, which violates the priesthood of all believers, 1 Peter 2:5, 9 and is lording it over the laity, **“the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate”** Revelation 2:15.
6. Even the Greeks don’t understand ‘the Greek’! Bro. Brent Logan is a KJB Baptist missionary to Thessaloniki, Greece. He has said to this writer:

*“The TR (Koine) Greek is not used in Greece. Modern Greek (Dimotiki) is several steps away from Koine. Some use the older Katharevousa Greek which is between Koine and Dimotiki, but this is still 19<sup>th</sup> century Greek. Most do not even understand Katharevousa. I have heard that there may be some Orthodox priests that chant the Koine as liturgy without knowing what it means but have never confirmed this. Any exception would prove the rule. Greek people today do not have nor understand Koine.”*

Why should English-speaking believers be subject to a language for **“the scripture of truth”** Daniel 10:21 that not even Greeks understand? As Paul says of **“false brethren...who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage: To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour”** Galatians 2:4-5.

7. The expression “in the Greek” occurs only once in scripture, Revelation 9:11 (!) in relation to “Apollyon” and “the bottomless pit.” That is where ‘Greekiolatry’ comes from. The Lord Jesus Christ said **“Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away”** Matthew 24:35. ‘The Greek’ is long gone **“But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it”** Deuteronomy 30:14.

The AV1611 is that word, **“the word of faith, which we preach”** Romans 10:8.

Amen.

**“Dragon(s)” – “What saith the scripture?” Romans 4:3, Galatians 4:30**

From [www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/alan-oreilly/) *Dragons – What saith the Scripture?* Extract pp 3-5

**“Dragon(s),” Attributes and Biblical Identification**

The Old Testament references Deuteronomy 32:33, Psalm 44:19, 74:13, 148:7, Isaiah 13:22, 34:13, 35:7, 43:20, 51:9, Jeremiah 9:11, 10:22, 14:6, 49:33, 51:37, Micah 1:8, Malachi 1:3 to the term “dragons” plural reveal in addition to the above that:

- Deuteronomy 32:33. “Dragons” are poisonous.
- Job 30:29. “Dragons” are with the lost man in hell. See Dr Ruckman’s commentary *The Book of Job* pp 240, 404 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* p 729.
- Psalm 44:19. “Dragons” are associated “with the shadow of death.” “the shadow of death” is subterranean within “the land of darkness and the shadow of death; A land of darkness, as darkness itself; and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is as darkness” Job 10:21-22 beyond “the gates of death...the doors of the shadow of death” Job 38:17. That is “the belly of hell” Jonah 2:2 beyond “the gates of hell” Matthew 16:18 as Jonah described it. “I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LORD my God” Jonah 2:6. See Dr Ruckman’s commentaries *The Book of Job* p 538, *The Book of Minor Prophets, Vol. I Hosea-Nahum* pp 366-368, *The Book of Matthew* pp 296-300 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 751, 1188...
- Micah 1:8. “Dragons...make a wailing.” Micah 1:8 is important with respect to Job 30:29 above and the lost man in hell where “dragons” are with the lost man in hell. “I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to owls. My skin is black upon me, and my bones are burned with heat” Job 30:29-30.

In sum:

- “Dragons” are poisonous, Deuteronomy 32:33.
- “Dragons” are with the lost man in hell, Job 30:29, “the land of darkness and the shadow of death” Job 10:21, “a furnace of fire” Matthew 13:42 “everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels” Matthew 25:41 “hell...the fire that never shall be quenched” Mark 9:43, 45 where as dragons wail Micah 1:8 “there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth” Matthew 13:42.
- “Dragons” dwell in “desolation” on earth in deserted, devastated cities that are “left like a wilderness” Isaiah 27:10 with Isaiah 35:6 even “the cities of Judah desolate, without an inhabitant...and a den of dragons” Jeremiah 9:11 at “the time of Jacob’s trouble” Jeremiah 30:7 and also “in the land of Idumea” Isaiah 34:6 where “the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch” Isaiah 34:9 i.e. a millennial lake of fire and hell on earth, Psalm 148:7, Isaiah 6:11-12, 13:22, 34:13, 35:6, 7, Jeremiah 9:11, 10:22, 49:33, 51:37, Malachi 1:3 typified by the derelict cities “left like a wilderness.”
- “Dragons” are like “leviathan” Job 41:1 of whom God says “His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth” Job 41:21 with Jeremiah 14:6.
- “Dragons” are “in the waters” Psalm 74:13...

The second group of beings that the scripture identifies as “dragons” are as indicated above “dragons” with the lost man in hell, Job 30:29, “the land of darkness and the shadow of death” Job 10:21, “a furnace of fire” Matthew 13:42 “everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels” Matthew 25:41 “hell...the fire that never shall be quenched” Mark 9:43, 45 where as dragons wail Micah 1:8 “there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth” Matthew 13:42.

These dragons are *poisonous*, Deuteronomy 32:33 and after the Second Advent will be *on earth* in “*pleasant palaces*” that are nevertheless “*desolate,*” overgrown and derelict “*in the land of Idumea*” Isaiah 34:6 where “*the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch*” Isaiah 34:9 i.e. a millennial lake of fire and hell on earth. The following scriptures describe monstrosities that apparently emerge from “*the land of darkness and the shadow of death*” Job 10:21 after the opening of “*the bottomless pit*” Revelation 9:1, 2. *They are led by “evil angels”* Psalm 78:49, Revelation 9:14-15 *of God’s fourfold rage*. They resemble the fabled centaurs [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Centaur](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Centaur) but are much more horrific. These monstrosities are “*horsemen*” and “*horses*” but “*dragons*” would be a fitting designation for these beasts. Note the matches with Deuteronomy 32:33, Job 41:21, Jeremiah 14:6. Each of the riders, all being designated as men, could be “*a devil*” John 6:70 like “*Judas*” that “*by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place*” Acts 1:25 “*the bottomless pit*” Revelation 11:7, 17:8. Note that Deuteronomy 32:17 refers to “*devils*” plural that are associated with “*gods*” as distinct from “*the devils*” that are explicitly designated as “*the unclean spirits*” Mark 5:12, 13. The scriptures describing the monstrosities that apparently emerge from “*the land of darkness and the shadow of death*” Job 10:21 after the opening of “*the bottomless pit*” Revelation 9:1, 2 are as follows.

***“And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone...For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt”*** Revelation 9:16-17, 19.

These are the “*dragons*” of Deuteronomy 32:33, Job 41:21, Isaiah 34:9, Jeremiah 10:22, 14:6 in all but name only. However, the designation of horse-like beasts, horses themselves being “*beasts*” Acts 23:23, 24, with riders provides a helpful description of these *devolved* monstrosities. They will clearly be confined “*in the land of Idumea*” Isaiah 34:6 where “*the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone*” Isaiah 34:9 at the Lord’s Return because “*his spirit it hath gathered them. And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein*” Isaiah 34:16-17.

See Dr Ruckman’s commentaries *The Book of Genesis* pp 13-14, 173-184, *The Book of Job* pp 605-615, *The Book of Matthew* pp 17-18, *The Book of Acts* pp 403-404, *The Book of Revelation* pp 194-195, 239-245, 304-309, 468-469 and the *Ruckman Reference Bible* pp 2, 14, 769-771, 1076-1077, 1105.

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