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THE SEVENTH ANGEL

If you missed the last two articles, you may obtain them from the newspaper office. You will find it very helpful to have a copy of all of the past articles and the future articles since they form a series that are interrelated and form a contiguous progression of study.

We find in Revelation 8:2 that seven angels are given trumpets and great calamity will come upon the earth as each one sounds his trumpet. Revelation 8:7, 8:8, 8:10-11, 8:12, 9:1-11 and 9:13-21 tells us what will happen when each of the six angels sound their trumpets.

We are told in Revelation 10:6-7 that when the seventh angel sounds his trumpet, all prophecies will be fulfilled and all kingdoms will become the kingdom of our Lord and His Anointed. All things are accomplished and we are ready to go into eternity.

⁶And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "There will be no more delay! ⁷But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets." Revelation 10:5-7 New International Version

In the next chapter, chapter 11, we are told, *"¹⁵ Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet. There were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world now belongs to our Lord and to his Anointed, and he will reign forever and ever." Revelation 11:15 The American Bible*

If all things are accomplished at the end of chapter 11, why are there another eleven chapters (12-22) included in the book of Revelation? Because from chapter one to the end of chapter eleven we are given a panoramic view of the events that will happen during the end times in a chronologic order. Then, beginning with chapter 12, we are given extra information to fill in the "cubby holes" of the panoramic view so that we can better understand the things that will soon take place (Revelation 1:3).