

Warnings of the Wrath of the Lamb Part 2



The Ottoman Empire

The second section of the Seven Trumpets deals mainly with the fall of Eastern Rome. The Western Church under the Pope of Rome separated from the Eastern Orthodox Church in 1054 A.D. The attacks of the Saracens and the Turks brought about Judgments on the Eastern Orthodox Church and in turn the Turks received their own Judgments. They represent yet another great religious movement known as Islam or Mahometanism which has many wonderful and devoted worshippers in it's fellowship. In the West the Papal power instituted Sunday as the day of worship instead of the Sabbath, and put Tradition above the Bible, and in the East the Moslem world replaced Friday as the day of worship instead of the Sabbath, and the Koran in place of the Bible. The Orthodox Church also substituted Sunday worship in the place of the Sabbath, and put Tradition above the Bible. The Eastern Orthodox Church was originally a part of the Papal system who introduced Sunday worship and Tradition. Thus we have three great religious systems (Catholicism, Apostate Protestantism, and Spiritualism or Paganism) which make up a part of Babylon. They constitute Satan's counterfeit for the true Church which keep the Commandments of God, and have the Testimony of Jesus Rev 12:17. God is calling His people out of these systems to follow the Bible and to keep the Sabbath with all God's Ten Commandments Rev 18:4; 22:14.

THE FIFTH TRUMPET FROM THE 27TH OF JULY 1299 A.D. UNTIL THE 27TH OF JULY 1449 A.D. THE TIME OF THE SARACEN EMPIRE AND THE SPREADING OF THE RELIGION OF ISLAM

1. How does John describe the beginning of the Fifth Trumpet? Rev 9:1, 2. See note below.

Ans: a. And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a _____ fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the _____ of the bottomless _____. And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a _____ out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the _____ and the _____ were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit. Rev 9:1,2.

Ans: b. The star John saw fall from heaven is _____ (Isa 14:12; Lk 10:18). See note below.

Ans: c. The key stands for the _____ given to Satan or one of God's angels either to _____, or _____ the evil angels (Rev 20:1) See note below.

Ans: d. The bottomless pit, or abyss, or deep is the place where the evil _____ are either _____ to or _____ from (Lk 8:31; Rev 9:2). See note below.

Ans: e. _____ opened the bottomless pit to introduce a counterfeit religion, Islam, to serve his purpose in _____ innocent people Rev 12:9. See note below.

Ans: f. The smoke of the great furnace represents the _____ of God that comes on those that do not keep the _____ of the Ten _____ (Ex 19:18,19; Deut 4:13; 29:9,20,21). See note below.



Satan the star falling from Heaven

Ans: g. The sun represents _____ as revealed in the light of the gospel of the New Testament (Mal 4:2; 2 Cor 4:4-6; Ps 84:11; Rev 22:16). See note below.

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obscuration of the sun of Christianity. Such was the effect of the spread of the religion of Islam which introduced a false prophet _____ in place of Jesus who is the Sun of Righteousness Mal 4:2. They introduced a new book the _____ in place of the light of the New Testament. They introduced a new day of worship _____ instead of the Bible Sabbath. This all contributed to the darkness that was spread by this great religious power. See note below.

I saw a Star fall from Heaven unto the Earth. The star John saw fall from heaven is Satan Isa 14:12; Lk 10:18. The warfare that began in heaven did not end there. When Satan was cast out, there were cast out with him a large number of angels whom by his sophistry he had led to rebel against God. They came to this earth, and the same deception by which Satan caused the fall of the angels, he practised upon Adam and Eve. They fell under his temptation, and ever since there has been waged an unceasing, desperate conflict between good and evil. This earth is the scene of the conflict, the field of the battle between the forces of Satan and the forces of Christ. Until the end there will be warfare between satanic agencies and those who accept Christ, those for whom he gave his life, that they might have power to obey the law of God. This conflict, which is outlined in the Word of God, concerns us individually, and in it we are now to be intensely interested.

And to him was given the key. The key stands for the power given to Satan or one of God's angels either to bind or loose the evil angels (Rev 20:1). This implies that the power given to Satan represented by the key was not intrinsically his, but was allowed to him by God to bring His Judgments on Eastern Rome Especially the Orthodox Church. Possession of the key implies the power to open and close.

The ravages of the Saracens and the Turks was made possible by the weakening of the two strongest powers at the time to make way for the rise of the swarms of desert nomads (Arabs or Saracens) who under Mohammed's religion of Islam welded into a mighty war machine. The wars that made way for the Saracens were between the Persians under Khosrau II (A.D. 590–628) and the Romans under Heraclius I (A.D. 610–641) as weakening the two empires, thus preparing the way for the Moslem conquest. The key, as given to

Satan and his angels opened the way at the fall of Khosrau. His overthrow and murder in A.D. 628 marked the end of the Persian Empire as an effective power, and opened the way for the advance of the Arabian forces.

The bottomless pit, or abyss, or deep is the place where the evil angels are either confined to, or released from Lk 8:31; Rev 9:2. **And he opened the bottomless pit.** Satan opened the bottomless pit to introduce a counterfeit religion, Islam, to serve his purpose in deceiving innocent people Rev 12:9.

That the expression "bottomless pit" represents the earth in a state of confusion and darkness is evident from other scriptures. Concerning the condition of the earth "in the beginning," the Bible record says that it "was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep." Gen 1:1,2. The word deep in the Old Testament is the Hebrew word שְׁמַיִם = tehowm meaning "abyss" and translated "bottomless pit" in the LXX (which is the Greek version of the Old Testament) and the same Greek word ($\text{\iota\upsilon\delta\iota\alpha}$ = phrear) as used in Rev 9:1. With respect to the Arabs, the bottomless pit may be thought of as representing the vast wastes of the Arabian deserts, whence these followers of Mohammed issued forth, to spread their conquests over vast areas.

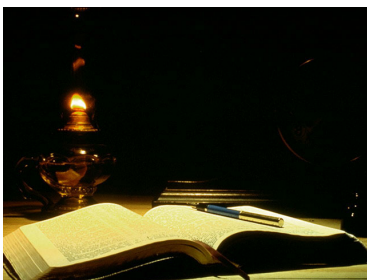


Smoke of a great furnace

And there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace. The smoke of the great furnace represents the curse of God that comes on those that do not keep the covenant of the Ten Commandments (Ex 19:18,19; Deut 4:13; 29:9,20,21).

On the morning of the third day, as the eyes of all the people were turned toward the mount, its summit was covered with a thick cloud, which grew more black and dense, sweeping downward until the entire mountain was wrapped in darkness and awful mystery. Then a sound as of a trumpet was heard, summoning the people to meet with God; and Moses led them forth to the base of the mountain. From the thick darkness flashed vivid lightnings, while peals of thunder echoed and re-echoed among the surrounding heights. "And Mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the Lord descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly." "The glory of the Lord was like devouring fire on the top of the mount" in the sight of the assembled multitude. And "the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder." So terrible were the tokens of Jehovah's presence that the hosts of Israel shook with fear, and fell upon their faces before the Lord. Even Moses exclaimed, "I exceedingly fear and quake." Hebrews 12:21.

And now the thunders ceased; the trumpet was no longer heard; the earth was still. There was a period of solemn silence, and then the voice of God was heard. Speaking out of the thick darkness that enshrouded Him, as He stood upon the mount, surrounded by a retinue of angels, the Lord made known His law. Moses, describing the scene, says: "The Lord came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; He shined forth from Mount Paran, and He came with ten thousands of saints: from His right hand went a fiery law for them. Yea, He loved the people; all His saints are in Thy hand: and they sat down at Thy feet; every one shall receive of Thy words." Deuteronomy 33:2, 3.



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The Lord has made every provision so that we may have a rich, abundant, joyful experience. John writes concerning Christ, saying, "In him was life; and the life was the light of men." Life is associated with light, and if we have no light from the Sun of righteousness, we can have no life in him. But this light has been provided for every soul, and it is only as we withdraw from the light that darkness comes upon us. Jesus said, "He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." In the world about us there can be no life without light. Were the sun to withdraw his shining, all vegetation, all animal life, would have an end. This illustrates the fact that we cannot have

spiritual life unless we place ourselves under the beams of the Sun of righteousness.

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He is called in the Bible, Satan, Beelzebub, the serpent, the deceiver, a liar, the accuser of the brethren, the prince of the power of the air, the prince of darkness, and the god of this world. Frightful names, infernal agencies! This fallen spirit, so malignant and subtle, is walking about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. When there is no special effort made to resist his power, when profound indifference prevails in

the church and in the world, he is not concerned; for he is in no danger of losing those whom he is leading captive at his will. But when the attention is called to eternal things, and souls are inquiring, "What shall I do to be saved?" he is on the ground, seeking to match his power against the power of Christ, and doubling his efforts to counteract the influences of the Holy Spirit. Angels of God, with Jesus at their head, are present to press back the powers of darkness; but no one is forced to accept Jesus, and no one can be compelled by Satan's power to reject him.

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2. What came out of the smoke and how were they commanded? Rev 9:3,4,8,10. See note below.

Ans: a. And there came out of the smoke _____ upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. And it was commanded them that they should _____ hurt the _____ of the earth, neither any _____ thing, neither any _____; but only those men which have not the _____ of God in their foreheads. Rev 9:3,4.
 And they had hair as the _____ of _____, and their _____ were as *the teeth* of _____. And they had _____ like unto scorpions, and there were _____ in their tails: and their power was to hurt men _____ months. Rev 9:8,10.

Ans: b. The locust plagues come from the same geographic area as the Saracen swarms of soldiers that spread over the area of the Papal Roman Empire. **The locusts** and the **teeth of lions** describe in symbol a _____ without number with a great

_____ which was a part of the threefold union of Spiritual _____. "That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the _____ hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpillar eaten. For a _____ is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose _____ are the teeth of a _____, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion." Joel 1:4,6.



Saracen conquests like the sting of a scorpion on their victims

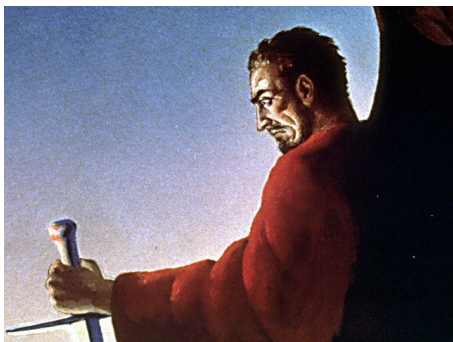
"And I will restore to you the years that the _____ hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you." Joel 2:25.

"The king of _____ hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail. Behold, he shall come up like a _____ from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man*, *that* I may appoint over her? for who *is* like me? and who will appoint me the time? and who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me?" Jer 50:43,44. See note below.

Ans: c. The power of the great Saracen army that arose among the nomadic Arab tribes was to hurt men with **the sting** of death for five months. "O _____, where *is* thy _____? O grave, where *is* thy victory?" 1 Cor 15:55. **The five months** in Bible prophecy is 150 _____ (1 Biblical month = 30 days Gen 7:11; 8:4; 7:24 and one day in Bible prophecy = 1 year Ezek 6:4; Num 14:34 therefore 5x 30x years = 150 years). This extended from 27th July 1299 A.D. until 27th July 1449 A.D. starting when _____ invaded Nicomedia and ending when the next

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Satan the great Red Dragon took one third of the angels from heaven

Ans: e. Scorpions are the symbol of a rebellious nation that has transgressed against God’s law. This rebellious nation was the Saracens who did not keep the commandments especially **1.** The Sabbath Ex 20:8-11, and **2.** To have no other gods Ex 20:3, because they did not believe that Christ was God but trusted in Mohammed instead.

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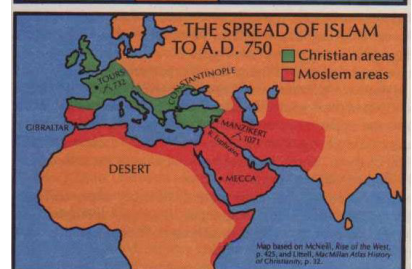
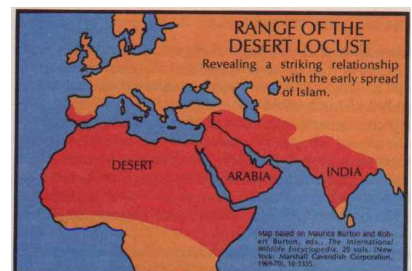
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Ans: f. The grass is a symbol of the _____ of the _____. “And thou shalt know that thy tabernacle *shall be* in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not sin. Thou shalt know also that thy seed *shall be* great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.” Job 5:24,25.

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Comparison of the range of the locust and origin of the Saracens

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Five Months. The question then arises, From what point are these years to be dated? The 11th verse gives us the key to the solution of the query. They had a king over them whose name is given both in Hebrew and Greek as the destroyer. The conclusion naturally follows that the five months of torment must have taken place under this Ottoman power after its consolidation into a kingly government. Previous to the time of



A Mosque where worshippers of Islam gather on Friday

Othman the Mohammedan power was composed of separate and distinct tribes. Under the policy of this man they were consolidated into one government with himself as king. His government was founded near the close of the thirteenth century and has ever since been known, from the name of its founder, as the Ottoman Empire.

The first assault of Othman upon the Eastern Empire took place on the 27th day of July, 1299. Commencing the five months' torment from this event, they would end 150 years later, in 1449. Uriah Smith's "Daniel and Revelation" page 264.

After the death of the prophet, war was declared against mankind by his successors, the Caliphs. The chief of these were, Abou Beker, the wise; Omar, the faithful; Ali, the brave; Khaled, the sword of God. These were the oldest companions and relatives of the prophet. In a few months after

his death these generals were followed by the swarms of the desert, and overran the plains of Asia. The

history of these wars, though deeply affecting the progress of Christianity, lies not within the sphere of our “Short Papers.” But as many nations and multitudes of the Lord’s people were the victims of this fearful scourge, it fairly claims a brief consideration. Many believe that the Saracen locusts were a partial fulfillment of Revelation 9:1-12.

The persecuting heathen, such as Chosroes the infidel and defiant king of Persia, and the merely nominal professors of Christianity, were alike chastised of God by the successors of Mahomet; but the proud bishops and priests were the especial objects of their vengeance. “Destroy not fruit-tree nor fertile field in your path,” said the Caliphs; “be just, and spare the feelings of the vanquished. Respect all religious persons who live in hermitages or convents, and spare their edifices. But should you meet with a class of unbelievers of a different kind, who go about with shaven crowns and belong to the synagogue of Satan, be sure you cleave their skulls, unless they embrace the true faith or render tribute.” And so the mighty horde moved on with an enthusiasm which nothing could check. “Syria fell; Persia and Egypt fell; and many other countries yielded to their power.” Many great cities, such as Jerusalem, Bozrah, Antioch, Damascus, Alexandria, Cyrene, and Carthage, fell into their hands. They also invaded India, assailed Europe, overran Spain, and advanced even to the banks of the Loire; but there they were defeated and driven back by Charles Martel in the year 732. Miller’s Church History pages 394,395.

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After the death of Mohammed, he was succeeded in the command by Abubekr, A.D. 632, who, as soon as he had fairly established his authority and government, dispatched a circular letter to the Arabian tribes, from which the following is an extract: - “When you fight the battles of the Lord, acquit yourselves like men, without turning your backs; but let not your victory be stained with the blood of women and children. Destroy no palm-trees, nor burn any fields of corn. Cut down no fruit-trees, nor do any mischief to cattle, only such as you kill to eat. When you make any covenant or article, stand to it, and be as good as your word. And as you go, you will find some religious persons who live retired in monasteries, and propose to themselves to serve God that way; let them alone, and neither kill them nor destroy their monasteries. And you will find another sort of people that belong to the synagogue of Satan, who have shaven crowns; be sure you cleave their skulls, and give them no quarter till they either turn Mohammedans or pay tribute.”



The Sabbath the sign of God’s seal

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The Lord commands by the same prophet: "Bind up the testimony, seal the law among My disciples." Isaiah 8:16. The seal of God's law is found in the fourth commandment. This only, of all the ten, brings to view both the name and the title of the Lawgiver. It declares Him to be the Creator of the heavens and the earth, and thus shows His claim to reverence and worship above all others. Aside from this precept, there is nothing in the Decalogue to show by whose authority the law is given. The Seal of the Sabbath is on the heart, mind, or forehead all different terms for the frontal lobes or decision making centre of the brain Song of Solomon 8:6; Heb 8:10; Isa 8:16; Rom 4:11; Neh 9:32,38; Ex 31:16,17.

What is the condition of those who keep the Commandments of God and have the faith of Jesus? If in families there are those who are refusing obedience to the Lord in keeping His Sabbath, then the seal cannot be placed upon them. The sealing is a pledge from God of perfect security to His chosen ones (Ex. 31:13-17). Sealing indicates you are God's chosen. He has appropriated you to Himself. As the sealed of God we are Christ's purchased possession, and no one shall pluck us out of His hands.

The forehead is the place where the Father's name or Character is placed by the writing of His law on the heart Ex 28:36-38; Ezek 9:4; Rev 14:1; Heb 8:10.



Saracens destroyed images in the Roman Catholic Churches

3. What does it mean by not killing them but only tormenting them five months? Rev 9:5. See note below

Ans: a. And to _____ it was given that they should not _____ them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment *was* as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

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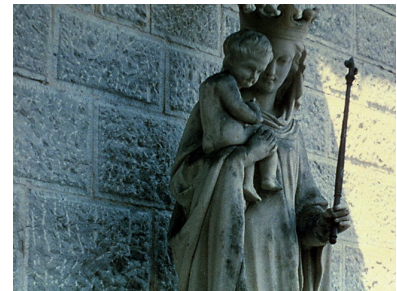
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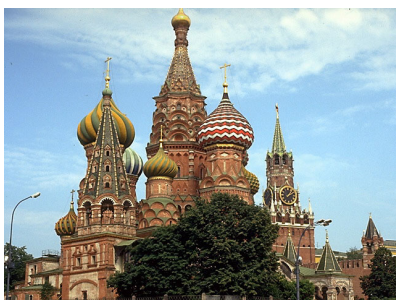
Images destroyed by Saracens

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The Orthodox Church in the East
attacked by Saracens

"Their constant incursions into the Roman territory, and frequent assaults on Constantinople itself, were an unceasing torment throughout the empire; and yet they were not able effectually to subdue it, notwithstanding the long period, afterward more directly

alluded to, during which they continued, by unremitting attacks, grievously to afflict an idolatrous church, of which the pope was the head. Their charge was to torment, and then to hurt, but not to kill, or utterly destroy. The marvel was that they did not." Uriah Smith's Daniel and Revelation page 504.

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4. How did those affected by the attacks of the Saracens feel and how were their feelings denied? Rev 9:6. See note below.

Ans: a. And in those days shall men _____ death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and _____ shall flee from them. Rev 9:6.

Ans: b. Seek Death. Those that did not keep the Ten Commandments seek death, and have no assurance of life Prov 21:6; Deut 28: 58, 64-66. "And _____ shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this _____ family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts." Jer 8:3

"Men were weary of life, when life was spared only for a renewal of woe, and when all that they accounted sacred was violated, and all that they held dear constantly endangered; and when the savage Saracens domineered over them, or left them only to a momentary repose, ever liable to be suddenly or violently interrupted, as if by the sting of a scorpion. They who tormented men were commanded not to kill them. And death might thus have been sought even where it was not found. See note below.

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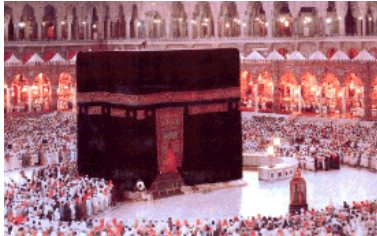
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5. How were the Saracen Soldiers described in the vision to John Rev 9:7-9. See note below.

Ans: a. And the shapes of the locusts *were* like unto _____ prepared unto _____; and on their heads *were* as it were crowns like _____, and their faces *were* as the faces of men. And they had _____ as the hair of _____, and their teeth were as *the teeth* of lions. And they had _____, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings *was* as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. Rev 9:7-9.

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Resting place of Mohamet the founder of the Islam religion

Ans: c. And on their heads were as it were crowns like gold. Gold in the Bible is the colour _____ Ps 68:13. The mitre or turban worn by the High Priest was likened to a crown Ex 29:6; 39:30,31.

When Mahomet entered Medina (A. D. 622), and was first received as its prince, "a turban was unfurled before him to supply the deficiency of a standard." The _____ of the _____, like unto a coronet, were their ornament and their boast. The rich booty abundantly supplied and frequently renewed them. To assume the turban, is proverbially to turn

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Ans: e. And they had hair as the hair of women. Paul makes it clear that long _____ is the glory of the _____ but a shame to a man 1 Cor 11:14,15. "The _____, unlike other men, had their hair as the hair of women, or _____, as their practice is recorded by Pliny and others. But there was nothing effeminate in their character; for, as denoting their ferocity and strength to devour, their teeth were as the teeth of the lions." Uriah Smith's Daniel and Revelation page 505. See note below

Ans: f. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron. Iron in the Bible is a symbol of an instrument used by God to break pride of power by those that do not keep the Ten _____. The Saracens had a special burden to destroy those that had images in the churches (thus breaking the second commandment Ex 20:4,5) especially the Church of Rome. The iron breastplate (also called cuirass) was used by the Saracens to protect the chest from injury while in combat. "The _____ (or breastplate) was in use among the Arabs in the days of Mohammed. In the battle of Ohud (the second which Mohammed fought) with the Koreish of Mecca (A.D. 624), 'seven hundred of them were armed with cuirasses.'" Uriah Smith's Daniel and Revelation page 505



The Dome of the Rock Mosque on the site of the Temple in Jerusalem

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Satan tries to destroy Christianity through the Saracen forces

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6. Who was the king over the Saracens? Rev 9:11.

Ans: a. And they had a king over them, *which is* the _____ of the bottomless _____, whose name in the Hebrew tongue *is* Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath *his* name Apollyon.

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Satan called Abaddon or Apollyon the angel of the bottomless pit

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7. Would you like to have Jesus the King of Kings as your Lord and Saviour to lead you through the battles of life to conquer sin and Satan to be victorious at last in His everlasting Kingdom?
