



# Hunger For Truth

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**Proverbs 7:2 – Matthew 5:6 – John 8:32 – II Timothy 3:16-17 – Hebrews 4:12**

***“Let us Hunger For Truth”***

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## *The Book of Revelation (Chapter 10) (Dr. Thomas Strouse)*

The following is **part 10** of a study on the book of Revelation by Dr. Thomas Strouse who is Pastor of Bible Baptist Church and Theological Seminary in Cromwell, CT ([www.bbc-cromwell.org](http://www.bbc-cromwell.org)). It is a syllabus written by Dr. Strouse. It is the HFT editors desire that this study helps you grasp the deep truths within this incredible book! Please look for a chapter from this syllabus posted in upcoming issues of Hunger For Truth. We trust this will be edifying and convicting as well as a blessing and encouragement to readers. Thank you for reading. We praise God for the privilege of being able to share this study with you. May God richly bless!

*The Book of Revelation / Thomas M. Strouse / Revelation 10*  
**CHAPTER 10**

## **Background**

This chapter presents a parenthetical hiatus of the activity in heaven and earth. The mighty angel holds a little book which apparently contains further judgment. John is told not to write, but to seal up the seven trumpet judgments. The angel declared that there would be no more delay as the mystery of God would be finished. John took the little book and ate it as instructed, sensing that it was bittersweet and being informed that he would prophesy again.

## **Exposition**

### **Rev. 10:1-11**

*The Mighty Angel (Rev. 10:1-4)*

Another mighty angel, distinct from the one in 5:2, and therefore not Christ, appeared with a little book in his hand. This parenthetical interlude was somber, suggesting the ominous foreboding of the culmination of God's wrath. Upon hearing the seven thunders, the Apostle John started to write but was prohibited. Apparently the Lord did not want certain judgmental revelation inscripturated at this time.

*The Consummation of Judgment (Rev. 10:5-7)*

The mighty angel straddling the sea and earth swore by Christ, the Creator, and announced that there would be no more delay in bringing final judgment to earth (cf. 6:10). With the Seventh Trumpet Judgment would commence the events leading to the culmination of the mystery of God in establishing the Millennial kingdom.

*The Consumption of the Little Book (Rev. 10:8-11)*

In similar manner with Ezekiel (2:9-3:3), John received instruction to eat the little book, producing the bittersweet effect upon him. As the prophet of God writing the Apocalypse, the righteous judgments would be sweet to him as a believer, but bitter as he realized multitudes would receive the wrath of the Lamb. As he continued to inscripturate the Book of Revelation, his prophesy would go before the multitudes including kings.

## **Theological Concerns**

Ezekiel received instruction to eat a scroll of woe about the Lord's judgment on Jerusalem. As he consumed the roll of a book, it became as honey of sweetness in his mouth. The judgmental messages which the Lord's prophets preached weighed heavy upon them since they recognized many would incur the wrath of God, including their family and friends.

## **Textual Issues**

Rev. 10:2—some MSS have *biblion* instead of TR's *biblaridion*.

## Summary of Chapter Ten

This second parenthetical chapter depicted the heavenly pause before the final consummation of the wrath of the Lamb.

### *Glory in Trials (By: H. Hoff)*

*Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities. (II Corinthians 12:9)*

While God had used Paul to heal others, it did not please God to relieve him from the thorn in his flesh. God gave Paul the greater grace of glorying in it.

“My grace is sufficient unto thee.” God's grace was sufficient – not only to keep Paul from *murmuring* against it, but actually to glory in it.

Fanny Crosby, the writer of many hymns, wrote about the doctor who “unwittingly caused her blindness”: “This doctor never ceased to express his regret at the occurrence. But, if I could meet him now, I would say: 'Thank you, over and over again, for making me blind.' Although it may have been a blunder on the doctor's part, it was not a mistake of God's. I verily believe it was God's intention that I should live my days in physical darkness, so as to be better prepared to sing His praises, and incite others to do so.” Her blindness was not *cured*, but by the grace of God, it was *conquered*, and made to serve God's purposes.

It was after a long struggle, “with strong crying and tears,” that Jesus prayed: “Father, not my will, but thine be done.” By His Spirit, He can also grant to us that grace of submission.

*Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him. – Psalm 37:7*

### *But If Not (By: R.K. Churchill)*

*“But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.” – Daniel 3:18*

What if in our desperate need God does not answer our prayer as we think He must? Will the bottom drop out?

Our text is the brave answer which all are called upon to make. In any situation we must have confidence that God will help us, but most important of all is trust in God. What if we pray and God does not send deliverance? Shall we think that God has played us false, or shall we walk on in faith?

If we trust God in the hour of necessity will He come near? Yes. But true religion is not selfish bargaining. The time will come when our deepest desires are contradicted. Things will come to us which are irreconcilable with any thought of God. Here is where we need our text. Can we trust God beyond our immediate seeing?

In Gethsemane Christ had to say “but if not”, and walk on to Calvary. Such faith came to Job when he cried, “Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him.” Paul prayed for healing and the Lord said No.

But Paul went on to find new power and glory in service. We meet in life not the smooth and the comfortable, but bewildering pain and dislocating sorrow. These are dark mysteries but they are of God – deep, purposeful and strangely enough, enlightening.

The story ends by a pagan king telling the world, “There is no other God who can deliver after this sort.”

## *Emotions in The Bible (By: Craig Glickman)*

There are many verses and passages in the Bible that relate to emotions and feelings of man and our Lord Himself in trials, suffering, affliction, and of course peace and joy. The following is an ongoing study of passages that have convicted, comforted, edified, encouraged or blessed me through hearing messages, devotions and studies over the years. I hope this is a blessing and help to you and I, and that the Lord may be honored and glorified in this series of studies on emotions in the Bible. Each issue, Lord willing, will have a verse or passage in the Bible covered. I am excited and privileged to do this. Praise God! I intend to break each passage down into the following: **Passage, Emotion(s), Cause, Effect, What does the passage say?, What does the passage say to you and I?, What should you and I do about it?, How do you and I stay accountable?**

*--Based on devotional 'The Final Answer' by E. Heerema)*

**Passage:** Romans 11:33

**Emotion(s):** Pain, disappointment, grief

**Cause:** Trials of life, etc.

**Effect:** Asking “Why?”

**What does the passage say?:** Do you or I have the final answer to life's most persistent question. This question is just one word – WHY. From beds of pain, when life's experience get's tangled, in bitter disappointment and painful grief people ask the pressing question – “Why?” What is the answer to this most persistent question of life? Examine this question and every possible answer and finally you can discover but one satisfying answer. It is not the answer of fate. This is the land's end where non-Christian answers to this question always arrive. It is the answer of despair, not of peace. So, is their any hope? Yes. The 'final answer' is our hope.

**What does the passage say to you and I?:** The final answer, the only answer that will quiet the troubled breast is this: *An all-wise, loving and sovereign God has so willed it.* It is the answer of God's providence. Here is one of our richest spiritual resources. Here the child of God comes to rest. The Creator-God rules all things in keeping with His perfect plan. All things are under His care, even the sparrow that falls. He makes no mistakes, for He is God. Blessed indeed is the heart that has learned to sing, “O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and the knowledge of God.”

**What should you and I do about it?:** Realize that God is your Father and my Father and He is wise and is good. We must rest in Him and His perfect rule over all things.

**How do you and I stay accountable?:** Ask God to grant us hearts that will always rest in in His holy providence.

## Only Jesus Saves! (John 14:6)

### Life's Most Important...

**Problem** – For all have *sinned*, and come short of the glory of God. (*Romans 3:23*)

**Certainty** – It is appointed unto men once to *die*, but after this the judgment. (*Hebrews 9:27*)

**Offer** – God hath given to us *eternal life*, and this life is in His Son. (*1 John 5:11*)

**Choice** – He that *believeth* on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that *believeth not* the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him. (*John 3:36*)

**Opportunity** – Behold, *now* is the accepted time; behold, *now* is the day of salvation. (*2 Corinthians 6:2*)

## :) Children For Christ :)

### Life's Most Important...

**Memory Verse:** And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. – Phil. 2:8

Match the verse to the subject using the correct letter:

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### Life's Most Important...

**A. Problem B. Choice C. Opportunity D. Offer E. Certainty**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>My Grace is Sufficient for Thee</u></b></p> <p>When, sin-stricken, burdened, and weary from bondage I longed to be free, there came to my heart the sweet message: “My grace is sufficient for thee.”</p> <p>Though tempted and sadly discouraged, my soul to this</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Many folks want to serve God but only as advisers.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“It can be easier to preach ten sermons than to live one.”</b></p>
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<p>refuge will flee, and rest in the blessed assurance: “My grace is sufficient for thee.”</p> <p>My bark may be tossed by the tempest that sweeps o'er the turbulent sea – a rainbow illumines the darkness: “My grace is sufficient for thee.”</p> <p>O Lord, I would press on with courage, though rugged the pathway may be, sustained and upheld by the promise; “My grace is sufficient for thee.”</p> <p>Soon, soon will the warfare be over, my Lord face to face I shall see, and prove, as I dwell in His presence: “His grace was sufficient to me.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>--Author Unknown</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>“When you get to your wits end, you'll find God there.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“People are funny; they want the front of the bus, middle of the road and the back of the church.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Opportunity may knock once, but temptation bangs on the front door often.”</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Quit griping about your church; if it was perfect, you couldn't belong.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“If a church wants a better pastor, it only needs to pray for the one it has.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Some minds are like concrete thoroughly mixed up and permanently set.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Peace starts with a smile.”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“I don't know why some people change churches; what difference does it make which one you stay home from?”</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>“A lot of church members singing 'Standing on the Promises' are just sitting on the premises.”</b></p>	<p><b>Praises</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praise God for His provision and blessing for Bro. Craig's move to CT which was a success and for Bro. Lacroix who found a place to live!</li> </ul> <p><b>Prayer Requests</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bro. Craig (Looking for new employment)</li> <li>• Pastor Steve Hathaway of Heritage Baptist Church Norwood, MA (Herniated Disc) (Recovery from appendectomy)</li> <li>• Missionary David Cloud (Recovery from pancreatitis)</li> <li>• Job needs and permanent housing for Bro. Craig in CT.</li> <li>• Sarra Family (Missionaries to Zambia Africa) (John – Health needs – back, liver)</li> <li>• Wisdom regarding developing the new location for Heritage Baptist Church in Norwood, MA center.</li> <li>• Sherrie (Sister of Bro. Craig's Fiancee Tash) (Lymph Nodes) (Heart issues)</li> <li>• Wedding for Bro. Craig and Sister Tash on May 2, 2015</li> <li>• Abby Lafreniere (ALS) (Wife of Pastor John Lafreniere, church planter to Fairfield, CT)</li> <li>• Dr. Michael Thompson (Member of Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA) (Brain cancer)</li> <li>• Pastor Gary Freeman (Race Street Baptist Church in Catasauqua, PA) who is battling colon cancer.</li> <li>• Needs of the body at First Bible Baptist Church of Plainville, CT</li> <li>• Needs of the body at New Hope Baptist Church of Lynn, MA</li> <li>• Needs of the body at Chester Baptist Church of Chester, MA</li> <li>• Missionary Tim Hawes (To Papua New Guinea) (Church Planting, Bible Translation, Agricultural Development)</li> <li>• Brother Bill Moore of Heritage Baptist Church (Health needs)</li> <li>• Those affected by the Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines</li> </ul>

**PRAYER REQUESTS CONTINUED:**

- The condition of this nation following the abomination that has occurred with the DOMA decision.
- Needs of the body at Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA
- Salvation and needs of those affected by the tragedy in Boston, MA on April 15<sup>th</sup> 2013
- Salvation of Brother Andrew Lacroix's family
- Salvation of Wendy and friend Ben, Jacob, Kaitlyn, Sybil and Bernice (Family of Craig Glickman)

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*Thank you for reading this. We praise God for all our dear brothers and sisters in Christ and we greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!*

**His Servants,**

**Craig Glickman**

**Andrew Lacroix**

**Prov. 3:5-6**

**1 Thes. 5:18**

