

THE TWO WITNESSES (CONTINUED)  
(Revelation 11:1-12)

- I. The MEASURING Rod (Rev. 11:1-2)
  - A. The UNIT of measure: a REED of TEN to ELEVEN feet (Ezek. 40:5)
  - B. The PERSON measuring: JOHN
  - C. The OBJECTS measured
    - 1. The new TEMPLE in JERUSALEM
    - 2. The ALTAR
    - 3. The WORSHIPERS
  - D. The PURPOSE of measuring
    - 1. Demonstration of OWNERSHIP
    - 2. Exercise of AUTHORITY
    - 3. Toleration of Gentile POSSESSION of outer court for FORTY-TWO MONTHS
  
- II. The MINISTRY of the Two Witnesses (Rev. 11:3-6)
  - A. Empowered to PROPHECY
    - 1. Withhold RAIN for 3 ½ YEARS
    - 2. Turn WATER to BLOOD
    - 3. Smite earth with PLAGUES as often as they WANT
  - B. Wearing SACKCLOTH for pronouncement of JUDGMENT
  - C. Identified as OLIVE TREES and LAMPSTANDS (Zech. 4:1-14)
    - 1. Are they ENOCH and ELIJAH?
    - 2. Are they MOSES and ELIJAH?
    - 3. Are they CONTEMPORARY prophets?
  
  - D. Protected miraculously until FINISHED after 1260 DAYS
    - 1. If FIRST half of Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week in view
      - a. Seven SEAL judgments and first six TRUMPETS are in the period of PEACE and SECURITY
      - b. The seventh trumpet introduces WRATH and the GREAT TRIBULATION

2. If SECOND half of Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week in view
  - a. Coincides with Gentile OCCUPATION of Jerusalem
  - b. Coincides with reign of ANTI-CHRIST
  - c. Ends very near the FINAL BATTLE
  - d. Seventh trumpet and seven vial judgments cover only DAYS

III. The END of Their Witness (Rev. 11:7-12)

- A. Will FINISH their WITNESS (11:7*a*)
- B. Conflict with the BEAST from the ABYSS (11:7*b*)
  1. First of 36 uses of this title, but not yet described (Rev. 13)
  2. LOSE the BATTLE, and are KILLED
- C. Display of their BODIES in the STREET (11:8-10)
  3. City controlled by ANTI-CHRIST
  2. Cause for worldwide REJOICING
- D. Restoration to LIFE by the SPIRIT (11:11-12)
  1. Caused great TERROR among the REVELERS
  2. Called to ascend into HEAVEN
    - a. This is DISTINCT from the RAPTURE of the CHURCH
    - b. This is PARALLEL to the ASCENSION of CHRIST (Acts 1:9)