

SERMON REVELATION 10 + 11 Series 'The future has already begun' #8
+ Questions for reflection
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INSIGHT IN WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE SPIRITUAL REALM

REVELATION 10

1. MIGHTY ANGEL - Revelation 10:1-7
 - Clearly having been in the presence of Christ
 - Robed in cloud; rainbow above head; face like the sun; legs like fiery pillars
2. SCROLL - Revelation 10:8-11
 - Eating the scroll: Ezekiel 3:1-2
 - Sweet in the mouth: Psalm 19:11 + 119:103
 - In Revelation: also sour in the stomach
 - Eating the word of God: Deuteronomy 8:3
 - Because the word of God is not just information or a book for entertainment, but for instruction, encouragement and inspiration in order to persevere! it is life, bread of life! Also Isaiah 55:1-3 and Matthew 6:31-33
 - You must prophesy

Compare the description of the angel with what you read about Jesus in Revelation 1 and try to imagine the experience of John.

Read Deuteronomy 8:3. What does this verse mean in the context of the people of Israel in the desert?

In what sense is the eating of the scroll a condition or requirement for prophesying?

REVELATION 11

1. MEASURING THE TEMPLE AND ALTAR - Revelation 11:1-2
 - Again the protection of the worshipping community of believers
 - Sealing - 7:3
2. TWO WITNESSES - Revelation 11:3-14 = BIBLE READING
 - Prophesying 1260 days (3) until finished (7)
 - Reminder of Matthew 17 - Jesus with Moses and Elijah
 - Sackcloth - call for repentance - Malachi 4:4-6
 - Opposition even persecution, humiliation to be expected in the midst of miraculous help and restoration
3. PROCLAMATION AND WORSHIP - Revelation 11:15-19
 - Verse 15: finally God's kingdom has come

CALL FOR THE CHURCH TO WITNESS

1. *Read Acts 1:8 - what was the at the heart of the testimony of the disciples?*
2. *What have you witnessed? Did you meet Jesus? How did He speak to your heart? Please share your experiences and your doubts.*
3. *Eat the scroll >> internalise the word of God >> sweet as honey and bitter in stomach*
4. *The witness will last until you have finished your testimony: Revelation 11:7*