

# Who Are the Rest of the Dead?

Revelation 20:1-10

**SOME RELEVANT INFORMATION FOR REVELATION:** The theme of Revelation: "Overcoming with the Lamb." Keynote: "Overcome." Key passage: Revelation 12:10, 11.

The style is written in *signs* or *symbols* to the persecuted bride of Christ about many things that are to *shortly* take place (1:1, 3, etc.). The Greek word for *sign* (*sēmeion*) is found *seven* times in Revelation. Its verb is found one time (1:1). While there were more than seven churches in Asia, Revelation speaks of *seven*. Seven represents *completeness* and is the most used number. Let's appreciate the area is Asia, not Judea (1:4).

The body of the letter consists largely of the throne scene, seven seals, seven trumpets, and seven bowls of wrath with important intermissions. An intermission exists between the sixth & seventh seals (7:1-17). The seventh seal is the prelude to the "seven trumpets." Another significant intermission exists between the sixth and seventh trumpets (see, 10:1-11:14). Note: the sixth trumpet and its intermission constitute the *second* of *three* "woes." A lengthy intermission (chap. 12-15) exists between the *seventh trumpet* and *seven bowls of wrath*.

The woman in Revelation 12:1, 2 stands in stark contrast with the woman to be judged in Revelation 17-18. The woman who opposes Christ sits on the *beast* (17:3; cf. 13:1ff). The three events associated with her are the woman's identity (17), the woman's downfall (18), and the exulting over her fall (19:1-16). Outlining the rest of Revelation looks like the judgment on the beast (19:17-21), the binding of Satan, his subsequent release and judgment (20), the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem (21), and the River of Life with final counsel (22).

## A. Name some pronounced and contrasting themes in Revelation.

<p><b>📖 1 John 5:4, 5</b>          "For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?"</p>	<p align="center"><b>Questions About the Two Witnesses – Revelation 11:1-14</b></p> <p>What is being measured?</p> <p>What is being trampled, and for how long?</p> <p>How long do the two witnesses prophesy?</p> <p>What is significant about both of the above numbers?</p> <p>What does the beast do to the two witnesses?</p> <p>What is the response from the world?</p> <p>What happens 3 ½ days later?</p>
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## B. Identify some similarities between the "fifth seal" and the "two witnesses."

## C. What is the "first resurrection," and who has a part in it?

## D. Who are the "rest of the dead," and when do they "live again" (20:5)?