

OVERVIEW BRIEF

FOCUS TEXT: “And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring.” **Luke 21:25 (KJV)**

The sounding of the Fourth Trumpet invoked a series of divine actions that drastically re-orders the course of the natural laws operating in the universe.

Specifically, they amount to what the Scriptures detailed as in Hebrews 12:27b-28 where the Lord declared: “Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

“And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.”

Moreover, we observe as cited in the prophet record the sounding of the Fourth Trumpet will initiate as series of judgments that diminish (by partially withdrawing) the blessings of the heaven bodies that have been position in the universe for the benefit of mankind.

Recall in **Genesis 1:15-18**, the Word of God reminds us regarding these heavenly elements: “**And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.**

“**And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.**”

Too, we should note that each of these elements play a vital role in controlling the climate on earth in terms of tides, sunshine and temperature regulation.

Hence, we can't begin to imagine the ramification of the removal of one-third of that present in the world. And one major impact that perhaps we might have overlooked is the diminishing of the duration of the 24-hour cycle of the day that will be reduced by a third.

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SOURCE TEXT: Revelation 8:12-13; Luke 21:25-28 (KJV)

Revelation 8:12 And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

¹³ And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to

sound!

Luke 21:25 And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

²⁶ Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken

²⁷ And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

APPLICATION POINT : These measures of punitive divine judgment are directly designed to disrupt and deconstruct the foundations of the physical universe as we know it, with the direct objective in mind of compelling the enemies of righteousness to unquestionably acknowledge the unrivaled supremacy of Holy God.