take time **13 December** **Revelation 8:1-13** read

http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Revelation%208:1-13&version=NKJV

The start of the trumpet judgments

study

The evil in this world increases more and more. God appears to be silent. But a time will come when God will answer. Then He will judge this world. The judgments that have taken place so far in this book were indirect judgments through events that have always occurred (war, famine, diseases). But the seventh seal marks the start of the trumpet judgments. Now God intervenes directly in events. All these events are so serious that even in heaven a time of silence is observed (v2).

God still has not started His judgments on this earth. Why? So that many more people will be saved! After the rapture of the believers, those who have heard the gospel will not be able to obtain salvation any more.

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24. What is always the immediate consequence when the four trumpets are sounded?
25. What does the eagle say concerning the trumpet judgments that are still outstanding?

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The symbolic language of Revelation, part 10:

- „The third part“ = the western third of the Roman world. This west european part will be affected by a particular judgment, because people there knew the Christian truth, but neither believed it nor lived according to it.

think

Thank God that Christians don’t have to experience this terrible time!

note down

24. First trumpet: Hail, fire and blood are thrown onto the earth (v7), second trumpet: a great mountain falls into the sea (v8-9), third trumpet: the star “Wormwood” falls from heaven (vv10-11), Fourth trumpet: the third part of sun, moon and stars is struck (v12). 25: He announces a threefold woe. The following judgments therefore will exceed what has gone before (v13).