

# LIFEGROUPS

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## Sermon-based Discussion Questions

1. Revelation 8:1 mentions 30 minutes of silence. Share about a time in your life when you experienced total silence. How might silence help us grow spiritually?
2. Revelation 8:3-5 mentions incense, together with prayers, going up before God. How do you think this might help us better understand prayer? *(When your Life Groups prays together this week, consider burning some incense or lighting a fragrant candle. As you're praying and smelling the aroma, visualize the reality of your prayers rising up to God as a pleasing aroma to Him.)*
3. In Revelation 8:6-13, the first four trumpets limit their impact to one third of nature. What might this teach us about God's judgment?
4. Revelation 9:1-19 describes the demonic hordes who are being released on planet earth. What might this teach us about their true nature and intent for mankind? What might the limits of verses 4, 5, and 15 teach us about God?
5. Read Psalm 103:8, Ezekiel 33:11, and 2 Peter 3:9. Does the fact that God is patient and "slow to anger" mean that God never gets angry? Explain.
6. Read Revelation 9:20-21. In light of all that has just happened in Revelation 8-9, what might this persistent sinfulness teach us about humanity? How would you explain God's final plan for unrepentant sinners?