Book of Revelation, part 66,
Chapter Eight continued and beginning Chapter Nine

I. The Trumpet Judgements protect God's people and occur in the second half of the Tribulation—The Great Tribulation.
1. 1st Trumpet destroys vegetation.
2. 2nd Trumpet destroys sea life.
3. 3rd Trumpet destroys fresh water.
4. 4th Trumpet changes earth's rotational spin.
    1) The sun is scorching those on earth (4th Vial).
    2) The 24-hour day changes to 16 hours.
    3) For the elect's sake (Matt. 24:22).

II. There are three woes, three Trumpets yet to sound (Rev. 8:13).
1. The three woes reference the 5th, 6th, and 7th Trumpets.
2. Woe, Woe, Woe! Means extreme grief is coming.

III. Sheol (Hebrew) = Hades (Greek), "*Hell*" is a mistranslation; Hell is the Lake of Fire which is in the future.
1. In the Old Testament Sheol had three plus compartments (Duet. 32:22).
    1) Upper Shoel where saints went in the next life (Psa. 139:8).
        i. Also called Abraham's bosom (Lu. 16:22).
        ii. And called Paradise (Lu. 23:42).
        iii. Located in the center of the earth (Matt. 12:40).
    2) Gulf separating Upper and Lower Sheol (Lu. 16:26); contains a section called the sides of the Abyss (Isa. 14:14-15).
    3) Lowest Shoel where unsaved went in the next life.
2. Some demons, fallen angels were incarcerated in the sides of the Abyss just before the flood—gloomy darkness (2 Pet. 2:4-5).
3. ? Are the majority of Satan's fallen angels/demons bound when they are expelled from the heaven at Mid-Tribulation? (cf. Rev. 9:14-15).
4. Christ has the keys to Hades (Rev. 1:18; cf. Matt. 16:18).
5. The "star" is given a key to Hades (Rev. 9:2).

IV. The Fifth Trumpet Judgment (Rev. 9:1-12).

1. Identification of the "fallen star."
    1) "…having fallen from the heaven…"
        i. "The heaven" refers to the heavenly realm—3rd heaven.
        ii. Satan was expelled from the heaven at Mid-Tribulation (Rev. 12:7-9, 12; Isa. 14:12).
    2) The star has authority over those bound in the shaft of the Abyss (Matt. 25:41).
    3) The star is called a king of the demons.
    4) His character is summarized as "destruction."
    5) The star having fallen is Satan and the horde are demons.
2. The demons' character, bringing an unprecedented torment to humans on earth described in pictorial language as seen by John in a vision (Rev. 9:17).
    1) Smoke that darkens the sun—spiritual darkness associated with their release.
    2) Locus—innumerable multitude of destruction.
    3) Ability to sting like scorpions—inflict excruciating pain, not death.
    4) Horse and chariots—move fast, speed to battle.
    5) Faces of men—ability to reason, communicate.
    6) Hair like women—wild untamed barbaric, frightening.
    7) Teeth like lions—ferocious, devastating, aggressive.
    8) Sound of wings/chariots—rush to battle with terrifying sound and speed.
    9) Breastplate of iron—strong resistance to humans' attempts to oppose them.
    10) Fake gold victors' crowns—Satan's defiant imitation of the elders around God's throne.