

6. Great fear fell on people when the 2 witnesses were resurrected. Does that necessarily mean those people all repented and believed? See **James 2:19**.
7. Read **Luke 16:19-31**. What similarities do you see with the death & miraculous resurrection of the two witnesses? Some people say that if they saw God do a miracle they would believe. Do **miracles** guarantee that people will believe? If not, what does God use to bring people to Himself? What should we give them whenever we witness?
8. What is the purpose of the **earthquake**? In what city does the earthquake occur? Why describe the 7,000 that died as “**names of men**” (people)? How do we know the rest actually repented? Who are **the rest**? What is the connection between this statement and prophecies in **Zech. 12-14 and Is. 53**?
9. For speculative fun, who do you think the two witnesses are? Suggestions from commentators: The Church; Enoch & Elijah; Moses & Elijah; Joshua & Zerubbabel; two unknown men.
10. What does this passage teach you about the **patience** of God? What are some **other lessons** we can learn about the character of God from Revelation 11? How might a deeper understanding of God’s character and attributes strengthen you and embolden you in carrying out His mission for your life?
11. If you have never done so, read “**Knowing God**,” by J.I. Packer, and “**Knowledge of the Holy**,” by A.W. Tozer. Pick one specific attribute of God that stands out in your mind. Do a more thorough study of that attribute using online resources, an in-depth systematic theology book, and/or “**The Existence and Attributes of God**,” by Stephen Charnock. Meditate upon those truths and apply them to specific areas of your life. Share what you learn with others.
12. Make a list of at least 5 people you know that do not yet know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Pray for opportunities and boldness to tell them about Jesus. Give them a gospel tract and/or a good book that will answer their questions about salvation. Invite them to come to church with you so they can learn more.

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Revelation 11:1-14

“The Things Which Will Take Place” – Part 16

The Two Witnesses – Part 2

- I. The Things Which You Have Seen (chapter 1)
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 - a. The Angel and the Little Scroll (10:1-11)
 - b. The Two Witnesses (11:1-14)**
 - i. Prophetic Ministry (1-6)**

ii. Public Murder (7-10)

⁷ When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make war with them, and overcome them and kill them. ⁸ And their dead bodies *will lie* in the street of the great city which mystically is called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified. ⁹ Those from the peoples and tribes and tongues and nations *will* look at their dead bodies for three and a half days, and will not permit their dead bodies to be laid in a tomb. ¹⁰ And those who dwell on the earth *will* rejoice over them and celebrate; and they will send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

¹⁴ The second woe is past; behold, the third woe is coming quickly.

So What?

iii. Profound Impact (11-14)

¹¹ But after the three and a half days, the breath of life from God came into them, and they stood on their feet; and great fear fell upon those who were watching them. ¹² And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” Then they went up into heaven in the cloud, and their enemies watched them.

¹³ And in that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell; seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

Discussion Questions & Application:

1. Why are the two witnesses described as **two olive trees and two lampstands**? What is the source of their **power** to carry out God’s mission (see Zech. 4:6)? What is our source of power to be witnesses (see Acts 1:8)? How do we appropriate that power (Acts 4:31; Eph. 5:18; Col. 3:16)?
2. Similar to the two witnesses, the Bible says that all true believers who die before Jesus returns will one day be **resurrected** from the dead (1 Thess. 4:13-18; 1 Cor. 15:51). How should this impact our **boldness** in witnessing?
3. What other lessons can we learn from these two witnesses that will help us be bold testimonies for Jesus?
4. Who is the **beast**? Why does it say he comes up out of the abyss? Where does he get his power?
5. What is significant about their dead bodies lying in the street for 3 ½ days? Why wouldn’t those in authority allow them to be buried? Why are people celebrating and giving gifts to one another because these 2 witnesses are dead? What does this tell you about the unregenerate heart of man?