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## An Angel with Authority over Fire.

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In Revelation chapter eight we read:

- Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake. (Rev. 8:5).

Prior to this event, we read of the martyrs who had been slain for the word of God crying out, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" (Rev. 6:9-10), and now we read of an angel throwing the fire (signifying judgments) on the earth, which results in rumblings of thunder, flashes of lightning and an earthquake. (Rev. 8:5). It appears the angel coming from the altar, with the fire, is responding to the prayers of those crying out, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

Since fire destroys everything in its path, it is the common symbol of destruction as the following verses show:

- Let him rain coals on the wicked; fire and sulfur and a scorching wind shall be the portion of their cup. (Psalm 11:6).
- You will make them as a blazing oven when you appear. The LORD will swallow them up in his wrath, and fire will consume them. (Psalm 21:9).

So, fire is a very fitting symbol to signify the wrath of God and His work that will be done in the latter days.

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Whether this angel is a literal angel, such as Michael who fights on behalf of Israel (Dan. 10:20) or the angels that have power over creation (since this angel had power over fire), and another angel is said to be, in charge of the waters (Rev. 16:5), the fire clearly signifies the wrath of God, and in this context, it can be taken to embrace loss, suffering and destruction all of which are a natural result of fire and the destruction of the wicked.

- The Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. (Matt. 16:27).

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For further information see the title:

- Angels (ON WEBSITE MENU).

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