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## Sweet as Honey in Johns Mouth, But Bitter in His Stomach.

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- **Revelation 10:9-10:** So, I (John) went to the angel and told him to give me the little scroll. And he said to me, “Take and eat it; it will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth it will be sweet as honey.”<sup>10</sup> And I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it. It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter.

Most feel it would be a great to have the gift of looking-into the future, which no doubt it would if we only saw the good, but the joy we might feel would be taken away when having such foresight, also brings into our view the sight of horrific, desolations, destruction and grievous persecutions of God’s people and the death of multitudes. Having such foresight would naturally bring about a mixture of joyful happiness when we see what is good, but sorrow when all that is bad came into view, this mixture of emotions is expressed in the words, bitter and sweet.

For John the knowledge of future things was, at first, pleasant, but its sad contents of the little book afterward filled his heart and mind with sorrow. This was because it was revealed to him, that there would not only be great opposition and persecution to God’s people, but also many false teachers, false doctrines and distorted and deceptive teachings would infiltrate and corrupt the global church during the space of time leading up to the seventh trumpet.

Even today when the faithful mediate upon the enormous joy of the revelation of Christ’s return in glory, and their being gathered to him, and the kingdoms of this world becoming the Kingdoms of God there is overwhelming joy, but when the mind reflects upon the enormous suffering and destruction that will come upon this world before that day, there is sorrow.

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The following words the angel spoke to John:

- It will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth, it will be sweet as honey.

Are very fitting to describe the mixture of joy and grief John would have experienced in his mind, as the vision of looming future events was opened to him.

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