

Syllabus
The Book of Revelation
Chapter 10

Rev. 10:1 *¶ And I saw another strong angel coming down out of heaven, arrayed with a cloud; and the rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire;*

Rev. 10:2 *and he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left upon the earth;*

Rev. 10:3 *and he cried with a great voice, as a lion roareth: and when he cried, the seven thunders uttered their voices.*

Rev. 10:4 *And when the seven thunders uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying, Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.*

Not a few commentaries agree that this “mighty angel” *may* be the Lord Himself. The “little book” opened may be that of Old Testament prophecies. Including the prophecies of Daniel, once sealed, but now opened.

Rev. 10:6 *and sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created the heaven and the things that are therein, and the earth and the things that are therein, and the sea and the things that are therein, that there shall be delay no longer:*

Rev. 10:7 *but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then is finished the mystery of God, according to the good tidings which he declared to his servants the prophets...*

The King James translation of verse 6, might lead to the misinterpretation that “time should be no longer.” It simply means, as most translate, that there shall be no longer delay in fulfilling what was declared to the prophets.

Rev. 10:10 *And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and when I had eaten it, my belly was made bitter.*

Rev. 10:11 *And they say unto me, Thou must prophesy again over many peoples and nations and tongues and kings.*

Perhaps the prophesying *again*, is what is contained in the O.T. prophets with additional revelation.