

## ~ABADDON (164)

(A-bad'don) [from Hebrew, meaning, Destruction]

### ..Abaddon - The Angel Of The Abyss Who Is He?

- They have over them a king, the angel of the abyss. In Hebrew his name is **Abaddon**, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon. (**Revelation 9:11**)
- This **Hebrew** word is transliterated into the **English** text. There we read concerning the symbolic plague of locusts that they have a king, the angel of the abyss. In **Hebrew** his name is **Abaddon**, but in **Greek** he has the name Apollyon.
- In **Hebrew** the word '*avaddohn*' means **destruction** and may also refer to **the place of destruction**. It appears in the original **Hebrew** text a total of five times, and in four of the occurrences it is used to parallel **the burial place, Sheol, and death**.
- Will your loving-kindness be declared in the **burial place** itself, your faithfulness in the **place of destruction**? (**Psalms 88:11**)
- Sheol is naked in front of him, and the **place of destruction** has no covering. (**Job 26:6**)
- Sheol and the **place of destruction** are in front of Yehowah. How much more so the hearts of the sons of mankind!
- The **Hebrew** word '*avad-dohn*' in these texts evidently refers to the destructive processes that ensue with human death, and these scriptures indicate that decay or destruction takes place in Sheol, the common grave of mankind.
- For that is a fire that would eat **clear to destruction**, and among all my produce it would take root. (**Job 31:12**)
- '*Avad-dohn*' designates the damaging effect of an adulterous course. Job declared; That adulterous course is a fire that would eat clear to destruction '*adh- 'avad-dohn*', and among all my produce it would take root.
- Because in behalf of a woman prostitute one comes down to a

- round loaf of bread, but as regards another man's wife, she hunts even for a precious soul. (**Proverbs 6:26**)
- Can a man rake together fire into his bosom and yet his very garments not be burned? (**Proverbs 6:27**)
  - Or can a man walk upon the coals and his feet themselves not be scorched? (**Proverbs 6:28**)
  - Anyone committing adultery with a woman is in want of heart. He that does it, is bringing his own soul to ruin. (**Proverbs 6:32**)
  - For many are the one's she has caused to fall down slain, and all those being killed by her are numerous. (**Proverbs 7:26**)
  - The ways to Sheol her house is. They are descending to the interior rooms of death. (**Proverbs 7:27**)

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- However, the **Hebrew** word **Abaddon** is used as the name of **the angel of the abyss**. The corresponding **Greek** name **Apollyon** means **Destroyer**. In the past century there were efforts made to show that this text prophetically applied to individuals such as Emperor Vespasian, Muhammad, and even Napoleon, and the angel was generally regarded as **satanic**. It should be noted, however, that at;
  - And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven with the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. (**Revelation 20:1**)
  - And he seized the dragon, the original serpent, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. (**Revelation 20:2**)
  - And he hurled him into the abyss and shut it and sealed it over him, that he might not mislead the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended. After these things he must be let

loose for a little while. (**Revelation 20:3**)

- The angel having **the key of the abyss** is shown to be God's representative from heaven, and rather than being **satanic**, he binds and hurls Satan into the abyss. Commenting on the scripture at;
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- The **Interpreters Bible** says; **Abaddon**, however, is an angel not of Satan, but of God, performing his work of destruction at God's bidding.
- In the **Hebrew** scriptures just considered, it is evident that '*avad-dohn*' is paralleled with Sheol and death.
- And the living one. And I became dead, but, look! I am living forever and ever, and I have the keys of death and of Hades. (**Revelation 1:18**)
- We find Christ Jesus stating; I am living forever and ever, and I have the keys of death and of Hades. His power with regard to the abyss is shown at;
- And they kept entreating him not to order them to go away into the abyss. (**Luke 8:31**)
- That he has destroying power, including the power of destruction over Satan, is evident from.
- Therefore, since the **young children** are sharers of blood and flesh, he also similarly partook of the same things, that through his death he might bring to nothing the one having the means to cause death, that is, the Devil. (**Hebrews 2:14**)
- Which says that Jesus partook of blood and flesh, in order, that through his death, he might bring to nothing the one having the means to cause death, that is, the Devil.
- And I saw the heaven opened, and, look! A white horse. And the one seated upon it is called Faithful and True, and he judges and carries on war in righteousness. (**Revelation 19:11**)
- His eyes are a fiery flame, and upon his head are many diadems.

**He has a name written that no one knows but he himself.  
(Revelation 19:12)**

- **And he is arrayed with an outer garment sprinkled with blood, and the name he is called is The Word of God. (Revelation 19:13)**
- **Also, the armies that were in heaven were following him on white horses, and they were clothed in white, clean, fine linen. (Revelation 19:14)**
- **And out of his mouth there protrudes a sharp long sword, that he may strike the nations with it, and he will shepherd them with a rod of iron. He treads too the winepress of the anger of the wrath of God the Almighty. (Revelation 19:15)**
- **And upon his outer garment, even upon his thigh, he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. (Revelation 19:16)**
- **Jesus is clearly the one represented as God's appointed Destroyer or Executioner.**

**See Also APOLLYON**