

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on The Cosmic Conflict. Today's topic: THE TWO WITNESSES.

1. Identifying characteristics of the Two Witnesses

- a) Revelation 11:3-6 What can we learn about the two witnesses from the apostle John's prophecy?
- b) What events are referred to in this prophecy?
- c) Zechariah 4:1-6 What additional insights can we gain from the prophet Zechariah about the Two Witnesses/Olive Trees?
- d) How do the Two Witnesses/Olive Trees help to dispel the darkness? Psalm 119:1-5,130
- e) Who are the Two Witnesses?
- f) Why is the Old Testament also an important witness in addition to the New Testament? John 5:39, Luke 24:25-27, 44-45, 2 Timothy 3:16-17

2. Prophetic time periods

- a) What is the significance of the prophetic time-period mentioned in Revelation 11:3?
- b) Revelation 12:5-6, Are these literal days or a much longer time-period? (Ezekiel 4:6, Numbers 14:34)
- c) Revelation 12:14-15, Daniel 7:25 Explain this time- period. (42 months x 30 = 1260 prophetic days/years, AD 538 – AD 1798)
- d) How were the Two Witnesses clothed in sackcloth during these 1260 years?

3. The killing of the Two Witnesses

- a) Revelation 11:7-9 What happened at the end of the 18th century that resulted in the killing of the Two Witnesses?
- b) Revelation 11:8-10 What events are described here?
- c) How are people attempting to kill the Two Witnesses even today?
- d) What was the response of the apostles after they had been intimidated and beaten? Acts 5:41-42

4. The resurrection of the Two Witnesses

- a) Revelation 11:11 What prophecy was given by John about the Two Witnesses who had been killed?
- b) What events occurred in the 19th century that demonstrated the new life given to the Two Witnesses? (missionary movement, Second Great Awakening)
- c) What impresses you the most about this time-period in the history of Christianity?

5. The testimony of the Two Witnesses today

- a) What special mission is given to the Two Witnesses today? Revelation 14:6, Matthew 24:14
- b) Revelation 11:15-18 What event takes place after the Two Witnesses have completed their work?
- c) Share a time when you participated in the mission of the Two Witnesses. How did this mission activity impact your life?

