

A Careful Study of the End Times:

The Four Views, Part 4

Idealist

IN KEEPING WITH HOW WE HAVE EVALUATED THE FIRST TWO VIEWS...

! REVELATION IS _____ SYMBOLIC.

! FULFILLMENT IS _____.

The first angel sounded his trumpet, and there came hail and fire mixed with blood, and it was hurled down on the earth. A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.

Revelation 8:7 (NIV)

The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise its authority for forty-two months. ⁶ It opened its mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven. ⁷ It was given power to wage war against God's holy people and to conquer them. And it was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation. ⁸ All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.^[a]

Revelation 13:5-8 (NIV)

Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour.

1 John 2:18 (NIV)

STRENGTHS:

! SOME EARLY _____ BELIEVED THIS.

! ANYONE CAN FIND _____ IN THE PROPHECIES OF REVELATION.

WEAKNESSES:

! THERE IS TOO MUCH _____ FOR IT ALL TO BE _____.

! THE BIBLE CAN BE USED TO SUPPORT _____.