AT THE LAST TRUMP

1Co 15:51 (KJV) Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, **52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

The seven trumpets and seven bowls in the Book of Revelation are part of the end-time judgments that will take place during the period known as the Great Tribulation. This period lasts for 3.5 years (often referred to as 42 months or 1,260 days according to Revelation 11:2-3 and Revelation 12:6, 14).

To understand the **14 events** (7 trumpets + 7 bowls) and how they relate to the 3.5-year timeline, we will break down the sequence and scriptural references for each trumpet and bowl, and then align them with the concept of **3.5 years**.

Scriptural Basis for 3.5 Years

Several verses mention a time period of **3.5 years**, **42 months**, or **1,260 days**, which are all equivalent to the same time frame on the **Hebrew calendar (360 days per year)**.

1. Revelation 11:2-3 (KJV)

"But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.

And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth."

- o 42 months = 1,260 days = 3.5 years.
- The Gentiles (nations) will trample the holy city (Jerusalem) for 42 months.

2. Revelation 12:6, 14 (KJV)

"And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days."

"And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent."

- o 1,260 days (v6) = time, times, and half a time (v14) = 3.5 years.
- The "woman" (representing Israel) is protected for 3.5 years during this period of tribulation.

3. Daniel 7:25 (KJV)

"And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time."

- \circ Time, times, and half a time = 1 + 2 + 0.5 = 3.5 years.
- o The **Antichrist** will have authority over the saints for 3.5 years.

These passages confirm that the final half of the **seven-year tribulation** is a period of intense **judgment and wrath** lasting **3.5 years**.

List of the Seven Trumpets and Seven Bowls

1. First Trumpet (Revelation 8:7) - Hail, Fire, and Blood

- **Judgment**: Hail, fire, and blood are thrown to the earth.
- Impact: 1/3 of the trees are burned, and all green grass is burned.
- Relation to Bowl: No direct match, but similar in destruction.

Re 8:7 (KJV) The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

Re 16:2 (KJV) And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and *upon* them which worshipped his image.

2. First Bowl (Revelation 16:2) - Grievous Sores

- **Judgment**: Painful sores fall on those who have the **mark of the beast** and worship his image.
- Impact: Physical pain and suffering for those loyal to the beast.

2. Second Trumpet (Revelation 8:8-9) - Burning Mountain (Asteroid)

- Judgment: A burning mountain (possibly an asteroid) falls into the sea.
- Impact:
 - 1/3 of the sea turns to blood.
 - o 1/3 of sea creatures die.
 - 1/3 of ships are destroyed.

2. Second Bowl (Revelation 16:3) - Sea Turns to Blood

- Judgment: The entire sea turns to blood.
- Impact: All marine life dies, not just 1/3.
- Connection to Trumpet: Similar to the 2nd trumpet, but more severe.

3. Third Trumpet (Revelation 8:10-11) - Star Called Wormwood

- Judgment: A great star called Wormwood falls from heaven.
- Impact:
 - o 1/3 of rivers and springs become bitter.
 - o Many people die from drinking the bitter water.

3. Third Bowl (Revelation 16:4-7) - Rivers Turn to Blood

- Judgment: All rivers and fountains of water turn to blood.
- Impact: All sources of fresh water are polluted.
- Connection to Trumpet: The 3rd trumpet poisons 1/3 of fresh water, but the 3rd bowl
 affects all fresh water.

4. Fourth Trumpet (Revelation 8:12) - Darkness Over Sun, Moon, and Stars

- Judgment: The sun, moon, and stars lose 1/3 of their light.
- **Impact**: There is **partial darkness** on the earth.

4. Fourth Bowl (Revelation 16:8-9) - Scorching Sun

- Judgment: The sun scorches people with fire.
- Impact: People suffer extreme heat and blaspheme God.
- Connection to Trumpet: Trumpet reduces light, but bowl increases heat.

5. Fifth Trumpet (Revelation 9:1-11) - Locusts from the Abyss

- **Judgment**: **Demonic locusts** emerge from the abyss.
- Impact: People are tormented but not killed for 5 months.

5. Fifth Bowl (Revelation 16:10-11) - Darkness Over Beast's Kingdom

- Judgment: Darkness and pain come upon the kingdom of the beast.
- Impact: People gnaw their tongues in pain.
- **Connection to Trumpet**: Trumpet causes torment by locusts, while bowl causes pain through darkness.

6. Sixth Trumpet (Revelation 9:13-21) - Release of Four Angels from Euphrates

- Judgment: Four angels are released from the Euphrates River.
- Impact: 1/3 of mankind is killed by a 200 million-man army.

6. Sixth Bowl (Revelation 16:12-16) - Euphrates River Dries Up

- Judgment: The Euphrates River dries up to prepare for the kings of the east.
- Impact: This sets the stage for the Battle of Armageddon.
- **Connection to Trumpet**: Both relate to the **Euphrates River**, but the bowl focuses on preparation for war.

7. Seventh Trumpet (Revelation 11:15-19) - Kingdom of God Declared

- Judgment: The Kingdom of God is declared.
- Impact: There are lightnings, thunderings, an earthquake, and hail.

7. Seventh Bowl (Revelation 16:17-21) - "It is Done"

- Judgment: A loud voice says, "It is done."
- Impact:
 - The greatest earthquake in history.
 - Islands and mountains disappear.
 - Hailstones (weighing 100 lbs) fall from the sky.
- Connection to Trumpet: Both signal finality with hail, earthquakes, and lightning.

Summary of Trumpets and Bowls

Trumpet	Bowl	Duration
Hail, fire, blood	Sores on Beast's Mark	3.5 years
Burning mountair	n Sea to blood	3.5 years
Wormwood	Rivers to blood	3.5 years
Darkness	Sun scorches	3.5 years

The **3.5-year timeline** fits with the idea that these events escalate over time. The **trumpets warn**, while the **bowls finalize God's wrath**.