

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for June 17, 2012

An Unusual Measurement
Revelation 11:1-2

Remember that these verses serve as a parenthesis between the sixth and seventh trumpet judgments. This parenthetical section began in Revelation 10:1 and continues through Revelation 11:14.

There are three features to this measurement that we must take note of:

I. First, notice the equipment for this measurement (Revelation 11:1).

II. Second, notice the elements to be measured (Revelation 11:1).

A. John was instructed to measure the temple.

B. John was instructed to measure the altar.

C. John was instructed to measure the worshippers.

III. Third, notice the exclusion from this measurement (Revelation 11:2).

So, what should our response be as believers in light of this unusual measurement?

First, we should remember God's sovereignty (Isaiah 40:12-26)!

Second, we should rejoice in our future hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Titus 2:13).

Third, we should resolve ourselves to serve the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:51-58; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Ephesians 2:10).

Clearly, God has a plan for Israel in the future, but He also has a plan for believers; and my hope is that we will remember the sovereignty of God, rejoice in our blessed hope, and be resolved to walk in the good works that God has prepared for us.