Revelation 9

v. 1 A star from heaven -- Satan falls from heaven -- to work on earth -- not an angel Jude 1:6

to capture souls that will share in hell

Not that Satan was once an angel of God, but that he is overcome by righteousness Isa 14:12-16 as in Lk 10:18

bottomless pit - abyss - Lk 8:31 Rom 10:7 Rev 9:1, 2, 11; 11:7; 17:8; 20:1, 3 -- hades

- v. 2 smoke from pit = evils come into the world in great abundance -- deception, delusion, sin, sorrow, moral darkness, degradation which constantly pours from hell
- v. 3 locusts = evil ones but **Praise God!** their power is limited! (v. 4-5) Rev 20:2 I Cor 10:13

A Warning that all may come to repentance!

THE FIRST WOE

- v. 6-10 Joel 1:4-12 gives picture of destruction by locusts -- no vegetation for miles and insects large enough to provide a meal (Mt 3:4) these are not locusts who eat vegetation but men are harmed. Power to harm for a limited time -
- v. 11 king is an angel named destroyer -- II Cor 12:7 an angelos (messenger) Our war is heavenly Eph 6:12 II Cor 4:4

THE SECOND WOE

v. 13-15 WAR - kills 1/3 of mankind -- which war -- all

war

- v. 16 a tremendous evil 200 million in the army --
- v. 17-19 The war which destroys 1/3 of mankind includes all kinds of horrible weaponry from the recurve bow of Egypt to Nuclear weapons.

v. 20-21 Mankind did not repent