

THE APOCALYPSE OF WEEKS

1 Enoch 93:1-10 + 91:12-17

R. H. Charles English Translation - restored literary order

TEXT NOTE

This standalone reading edition places the separated passages together in the literary order used by R. H. Charles. The English is from the public-domain Charles translation. The 'weeks' are symbolic periods, not ordinary seven-day weeks.

INTRODUCTION

The Apocalypse of Weeks is preserved in the present arrangement of 1 Enoch in two separated passages: 1 Enoch 93:1-10 and 91:12-17. R. H. Charles treated these passages as one independent composition and restored 91:12-17 immediately after 93:1-10. The text divides sacred history and the future into symbolic 'weeks.' Charles classified it among the oldest pre-Maccabean portions of 1 Enoch.

OPENING - 1 ENOCH 93:1-2

1. And after that Enoch both gave and began to recount from the books. 2. And Enoch said: 'Concerning the children of righteousness and concerning the elect of the world, And concerning the plant of uprightness, I will speak these things, Yea, I Enoch, will declare them unto you, my sons: According to that which appeared to me in the heavenly vision, And which I have known through the word of the holy angels, And have learnt from the heavenly tablets.'

FIRST WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:3

3. And Enoch began to recount from the books and said: 'I was born the seventh in the first week, While judgement and righteousness still endured.

SECOND WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:4

4. And after me there shall arise in the second week great wickedness, And deceit shall have sprung up; And in it there shall be the first end. And in it a man shall be saved; And after it is ended unrighteousness shall grow up, And a law shall be made for the sinners.

THIRD WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:5

5. And after that in the third week at its close A man shall be elected as the plant of righteous judgement. And his posterity shall become the plant of righteousness for evermore.

FOURTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:6

6. And after that in the fourth week, at its close, Visions of the holy and righteous shall be seen, And a law for all generations and an enclosure shall be made for them.

FIFTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:7

7. And after that in the fifth week, at its close, The house of glory and dominion shall be built for ever.

SIXTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:8

8. And after that in the sixth week all who live in it shall be blinded, And the hearts of all of them shall godlessly forsake wisdom. And in it a man shall ascend; And at its close the house of dominion shall be burnt with fire, And the whole race of the chosen root shall be dispersed.

SEVENTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 93:9-10

9. And after that in the seventh week shall an apostate generation arise, And many shall be its deeds, And all its deeds shall be apostate. 10. And at its close shall be elected The elect righteous of the eternal plant of righteousness, To receive sevenfold instruction concerning all His creation.

EIGHTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 91:12-13

12. And after that there shall be another, the eighth week, that of righteousness, And a sword shall be given to it that a righteous judgement may be executed on the oppressors, And sinners shall be delivered into the hands of the righteous. 13. And at its close they shall acquire houses through their righteousness, And a house shall be built for the Great King in glory for evermore, And all mankind shall look to the path of uprightness.

NINTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 91:14

14. And after that, in the ninth week, the righteous judgement shall be revealed to the whole world, And all the works of the godless shall vanish from all the earth, And the world shall be written down for destruction.

TENTH WEEK - 1 ENOCH 91:15-16

15. And after this, in the tenth week in the seventh part, There shall be the great eternal judgement, In which He will execute vengeance amongst the angels. 16. And the first heaven shall depart and pass away, And a new heaven shall appear, And all the powers of the heavens shall give sevenfold light.

WEEKS WITHOUT NUMBER - 1 ENOCH 91:17

17. And after that there will be many weeks without number for ever, And all shall be in goodness and righteousness, And sin shall no more be mentioned for ever.