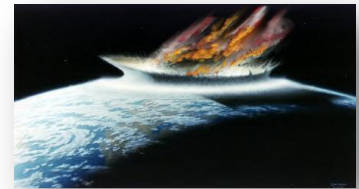




The Second Trumpet Judgment

The Burning Mountain

1/3 of the Sea turns to blood,
1/3 of the Creatures in the sea die
1/3 of the Ships are destroyed.



Revelation 8:8-9 “And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the **third** part of the sea became blood; and the **third** part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the **third** part of the ships were destroyed.”

In this passage John describes what looks like to him as mountain burning with fire falling into the sea. John did not say it was a mountain simply that it looked like a mountain. This would certainly fit into the category of an asteroid or meteor. Certainly a meteor the size of a mountain would cause the type of destruction John tells about. One-third of the creatures in the sea are killed causing one-third of the sea to turn to blood and destroying one-third of the ships that are at sea, possible by the resulting tidal wave or by the direct impact of the meteor.

Some believe that this judgment will be a local judgment as opposed to a global one because only one-third of the fish, sea and shipping are affected. A meteor this size would cause more destruction had it hit an open body of water such as the Pacific or Atlantic Oceans. Some believe this meteor will strike the Mediterranean Sea, therefore limiting its destruction to that area.

A portion of this judgment is a return to the plagues of ancient Egypt, look at Ex. 7:19-21. The differences being, that in the judgment of Egypt all the fish died in all the rivers, enough that it caused such a smell that the Egyptians could not drink the water. In this repeat judgment one-third of the fish die and one-third of the oceans are affected.

