

BIBLE RESEARCH NIGHT # 1

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Study of the word Abyss (Deep or Bottomless pit) in the Greek of the New Testament

Abusson (deep, bottomless pit, "sea")	Abussou (bottomless, bottomless pit)
Lk 8:31: And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep [Abusson].	
Rom 10:7: Or, Who shall descend into the deep [Abusson]? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.) {Alluding to the O.T. Deut 30:13: Neither <i>is</i> it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea [yam] for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?}	
	Rev 9:1: And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless [Abussou] pit.
	Rev 9:2: And he opened the bottomless [Abussou] pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.
	Rev 9:11: And they had a king over them, <i>which is</i> the angel of the bottomless pit [Abussou], whose name in the Hebrew tongue <i>is</i> Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath <i>his</i> name Apollyon.
	Rev 11:7: And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit [Abussou] shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.
	Rev 17:8: The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit [Abussou], and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder,
Rev 20:3: And cast him into the bottomless pit [Abusson], and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.	Rev 20:1: And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit [Abussou] and a great chain in his hand.

So, there seems to be two different underground areas on the earth where evil spirits are confined:

1) The first word meaning an Abyss (the Deep, Bottomless Pit) mentioned in the New Testament is from the mouth of Legion requesting to be sent to the pigs before going into the **Abusson**. This seems to

correspond to the so-called “spirits in prison” described by Peter that once where disobedient in the days while the ark was being prepared by Noah (1 Pe. 3:1, 18-20, 22). Jesus sent those 2,000 evil spirits possessing one individual to the pigs who forced themselves into the lake and drowned, the spirits going from there apparently to the **Abusson** (Lk 8:26-39). Later on in the second part of Revelation 9, we see four leading angels being released from a place related to waters, at the river Euphrates, leading a host of 200,000,000 of horsemen who killed 1/3 of all the non-believing humanity of the days of Revelation (Rev 9:13-21). This place **Abusson**, was visited by Christ Jesus to announce his victory to those spirits.

The next time that this word **Abusson** appears is in Romans 10:7, as seen in the Table above when Paul is making reference to Deuteronomy where the equivalent Hebrew word is **Yam**, translated as sea (Deut 30:13), reiterating for us its meaning associated with waters, and Christ was there as seen above.

The third and last use of the word **Abusson** in the N.T. is when Satan is cast in and sealed within it for thousand years, after previously having been bound by a mighty angel with chain in hand apparently in a different location, as seen below, indicating that Satan will visit all places where his minions were.

2) The second related word with the meaning of an Abyss (the Bottomless Pit) is found only in the book of Revelation six times! This is the Greek word **Abussou**:

Its first, second and third appearances are right after the fifth angel sounds his trumpet (Rev 9:1-12), another angel falling from heaven, called a star, holding the key to open the **Abussou**, opens it and from it smoke and fire emerges and an army without number of “locusts” composed of the next mixture: As tails of scorpions, faces of men, hair of women, teeth of lions, legs of horses, wings, breastplates and crowns of Gold emerges from it, being capable to hurt only the men lacking the seal of God on their foreheads, but not to kill them, as a matter of fact, the humans that are stung at that time are unable to die, even if they tried. The angels in prison described by 2 Peter 2:2, 4-6 and by Jude 1:4, 6-7, and even by Paul (1 Cor 11:3, 10) seem to correspond to the sons of God that corrupted humanity in Genesis 6:1-6, in whose case, Tartaros (2 Pe 2:4), the Tartaroo of the Greek Mythology could be a synonym of **Abussou** (with the difference that in Mythology the Titans or demi-gods are there, while in the Bible are the master minds, the angels themselves that produced such “Titans”: Nephilim, Rephaim, Anakim, etc.)

The fourth and fifth appearances of the word **Abussou** in Revelation are used in association with the leading beast ascending out of it, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon and in Greek Appolyon, a reference of him is found in the book of Job, where we are told that all its actions are followed by God (Job 26:6), in the fourth use this beast is able to kill the two witnesses of God that after three days and three nights of being killed, are raised by God and ascend unto heaven. The fifth use is when this beast apparently enters to possess the death body of the antichrist which in this state will rule over the world during the last 3.5 years of the Apocalypse.

The sixth and last use of this word for Abyss, **Abussou** is related to the place where the mighty angel holding the key of it, who also was holding a great chain, was able to bound Satan with it, and from here, it seems that Satan is taken to the other place, the one visited by Christ Jesus after his resurrection, where Satan is going to be bound for a thousand years, remembering that Christ Jesus was there, in the **Abusson** (see above), announcing his victory and taking his Lordship over all principality!