Lesson 19 – Revelation 11:1-14 The Two _____: Part 1

l.	In	Introductory Comments:			
	a.	Rev:: is "a parenthetical section," which "does not the narrative but presents other facts which contribute to the total prophetic scene" (Walvoord, pg. 169).			
	b.	The angel of verse 1 is most likely the mighty angel of Rev 10.			
2.	W	What is the purpose of verses 1-2?			
	a.	They serve as a from God:			
		1) A measuring reed to feet in length, and is the Biblical number for			
		2) What is John commanded to measure?			
		a) v1: "the of God, and the"			
		1] Based on Zech 2, Ezek 40, and Rev 21, "The act of measuring seems to signify that the area to God in some special way. It is an of His property" (Walvoord, pg. 176).			
		2] In other words, God's is that although these things are currently not being used in the way that measures up to His divine standard, they still to Him.			
		b) v1: "and that worship"			
		1] The word "" coupled with the instructions recorded in verse 2 leaves no doubt that the worshippers being measured are the worshippers.			
		2] Since a measuring reed is feet tall, a height that man can never achieve including the worshippers in this measurement clearly signifies that they are coming of the divine standard.			
		3] In other words, God's is that although these worshippers are currently not measuring up to His divine standard, they still to Him and He has not up on them.			
	b.	They serve to key aspects of the ministry being given to the two witnesses by God:			
		1) They serve to define the of their ministry – i.e., the people (i.e., the).			

		2)	They serve to identify the	of their ministry – i.e.,	(i.e., th
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		3)	Tribulation (i.e., the).	heir ministry – i.e., the	half of the
3.	Th	ie _	(v3):		
	a.	for	God is commissioning two men into a very or days which equates to me ears.	y special ministronths of 30 day months which	ry that will last equates to
b. A prophet is "one who, moved by the of God and hence his organ of spokesman, solemnly declares to men what he has received by inspiration, esp future events, and in particular such as relate to the cause and kingdom of God human"				n, especially	
	c.		They will also be clothed inninistry they are being given.	which speaks to the o	f prophetic
		1)) Cloth made of black goat's hair, coarse	e, rough, and thick, used for sa	.cks.
		2)) Symbol of: Gen 37:34 – 'upon his loins, and mourned for his so		d put sackcloth
		3)	Symbol of: Matt 11:21 Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, wh and Sidon, they would have repented le	ich were done in you, had bee	n done in Tyre
1.	Th	ie _	(v4):		
	a.	То	o serve as God's trees:		
		1)	This is very similar to the vision record represent the power of the to complete the temple would be according the	and indicate that Zerub	babel's ministry
		2)	The purpose of trees is to proproduce, and what do		
			a) Read Exodus 29:2: It was used as _		
			b) Read 2 Samuel 14:2: It was used to	the	
			c) Read Isaiah 1:6 & Mark 6:13: It wa	as used to	
			d) Read Exodus 27:20-21: It was used	l to	

	e)	Read Leviticus 7:12: It was used in					
	f)	Read 1 Kings 19:16, Exodus 30:22-33, and 1 Samuel 10:1: It was used to, and, respectively.					
	g)	Read Deuteronomy 18:4: It was used as one of the					
3)	Wl	y did Jesus choose the Garden of Gethsemane instead of some other garden?					
	a)	The word Gethsemane means The purpose of an is to make, and what do the Scriptures tell us about?					
		1] Exodus 29:2: It was used as <i>Read</i> John 6:35.					
		2] 2 Samuel 14:2: It was used to the <i>Read</i> Ephesians 2:1.					
		3] Isaiah 1:6 & Mark 6:13: It was used to <i>Read</i> 1 Peter 2:24.					
		4] Exodus 27:20-21: It was used to <i>Read</i> John 8:12.					
		5] Leviticus 7:12: It was used in <i>Read</i> Hebrews 7:27.					
		6] 1 Kings 19:16, Exodus 30:22-33, and 1 Samuel 10:1: It was used to,, and, respectively. <i>Read</i> Matthew 13:57, Hebrews 9:11-14, and Matthew 2:2.					
		7] Read Deuteronomy 18:4: It was used as one of the Read John 3:16 and Hebrews 9:24-28.					
	b)	Through the power of the Holy Spirit, these two witnesses will prophecy concerning Jesus Christ voluntarily Himself (see Matthew 26:51-53) into His Father's service in order to accomplish all seven of these purposes.					
То	ser	ve as God's:					
1)	goo and wa	Les Dr. McGee states in his commentary on Zechariah, "The lampstand speaks of; the lamps with the oil in them speak of the" McGee ones on to say, "The lampstand supported the lamps with the light shining from them and the light, in turn, revealed the beauty and glory of the lampstand. In just such a ray, the does not speak of Himself, but He reveals the glories and the beauties of the "iii					
2)	Th	The purposes and/or characteristics of light:					
	a) Without light we (Plants can't produce oxygen.)						

b.

	b)	It enables us to the way to go. (Talk about night maneuvers and branches hitting us in the face and stepping into holes while all the time a nice safe path was often just a few feet away, but we couldn't see it.)	
	c)	It exposes (Horror & mystery movies - While don't they just turn on the light?)	
	d)	It gets rid of (Talk about turning on a light switch in a dark room. Talk about opening the word in the presence of unbelievers and watching them scatter. And don't forget 2 Cor 6:14.)	
	e)	Light hurts the because the are the window to the soul (John 3:20).	
	f)	It provides and (Talk about campfires and the rays of the sun.)	
	g)	It spreads out in directions (Matt 28:19).	
	h)	It becomes very when focused. (Talk about laser beams.)	
2)	Through the power of the Holy Spirit, these two witnesses will serve as God's using their light to shine conviction upon the people's (which is why the need for verse 5) while at the same time illuminating the only One who can take away their and give to them "the light of "		
	(Jo	ohn 8:12).	
ⁱ Jo	sepl	h H. Thayer, <i>Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament</i> (Peabody: Publishers, 2003), 553.	

ⁱⁱJ. Vernon McGee, *Zechariah* (Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishers, 1991), 50. ⁱⁱⁱIbid., 51.