

Revelation 8:1-6

- A - The seven angels stood before God; were given seven trumpets. (vs.2)
- B - Another angel came and stood at the altar,
 - C - with a golden censer;
 - D - was given much **incense**, to offer it with the **prayers** of all saints before the throne. (vs.3)
 - D - the smoke of the **incense**, with the **prayers** of the saints, ascended up before God. (vs.4)
 - C The angel took the censer and filled it
- B - with fire of the altar/cast into the earth (vs.5)
- A - the seven angels with the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound. (vs.6)

The purpose of this chiasm is one of an untold number in the book of Revelation, each of which reveals deep truths and is part of a bigger narrative which will reveal truly that "the cross must occupy the central place because

- 1) it is the means of man's atonement and
- 2) because of the influence it exerts on every part of the divine government."

-- 6T 235.4