

Revelation 6 The Seals are Opened



Opening Questions

- What does the bible say about the end times?
- What do the majority of people believe today as it pertains to the final state of the earth?
- Do we think there is a place today for hellfire and damnation preaching?

6 Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!" 2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.

3 When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" 4 And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword.

5 When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. 6 And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!"

7 When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!" 8 And I looked, and behold, a pale horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.

Q: What is the goal of the white horseman?

1. War-like conquering
2. Obtain the crown, or laurel wreath (not kingship)



Q: What is the goal of the red horseman?

- To remove peace. He doesn't use his own sword

Q: Who is affected by the economic conditions imposed by the black horseman?

- One day's wages will produce food for one family of four, for one day
- The wealthy are not affected

Q: What are the ways the pale horseman affects the world?

- War; Famine; Pestilence

Q: How many die by the 4th horseman?

- At least 2 billion people, 25% of the earth.

Q: How do the horsemen get their power?

- God Himself provides the power. This was planned from the foundation of the world.

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. 10 They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" 11 Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

12 When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood, 13 and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. 14 The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. 15 Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

Q: Where does the 5th seal take place?

- Heaven, not earth (v9)

Q: Who is the avenger?

- God (v10)

Q: What will happen to the earth at the opening of the 6th scroll?

1. Great earthquake (v12)
2. Eclipse (v12)
3. Vast meteor showers (v13)
4. Sky vanishes (rolled up like a scroll) (v14)
5. EVERY mountain/island moved or removed (v14)

Q: What is the response?

- The rich head for their bunkers, everyone else heads for the caves (v15)

Q: Will there be confusion on who is causing these events?

- No, now everyone on earth will see the truth, this is the owner of the earth proclaiming His authority and reconning (v16)
- The only place we see "**Wrath** of the Lamb" (v17)

THE SEVEN SEALS OF REVELATION

FIRST SEAL	SECOND SEAL	THIRD SEAL	FOURTH SEAL	FIFTH SEAL	SIXTH SEAL	SEVENTH SEAL
WHITE HORSE	RED HORSE	BLACK HORSE	PALE HORSE	MARTYRS CRY OUT	CELESTIAL SIGNS	RAPTURE
						
Rev 6:2 Had a Bow Given a Crown Went out Conquering	Rev 6:4 Peace Removed Violence breaks out Has Sword	Rev 6:5-6 Balance Scales Huge Inflation Oil & Wine Spared	Rev 6:8 Death has Hades with him 1/4th earth Killed with sword, famine, death & beasts	Rev 6:9-11 Martyrs cry out How long? Not until number of brethren to be killed is complete	Rev 6:12-17 Earth quakes Sun darkens moon turns red Stars fall Sky Recedes like a scroll	Rev 8:1 Heaven silent about half hour Rev 11:12 Come up Here!

6th Seal

It will be horrific



Resurrection

This is popular belief
but not biblical



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