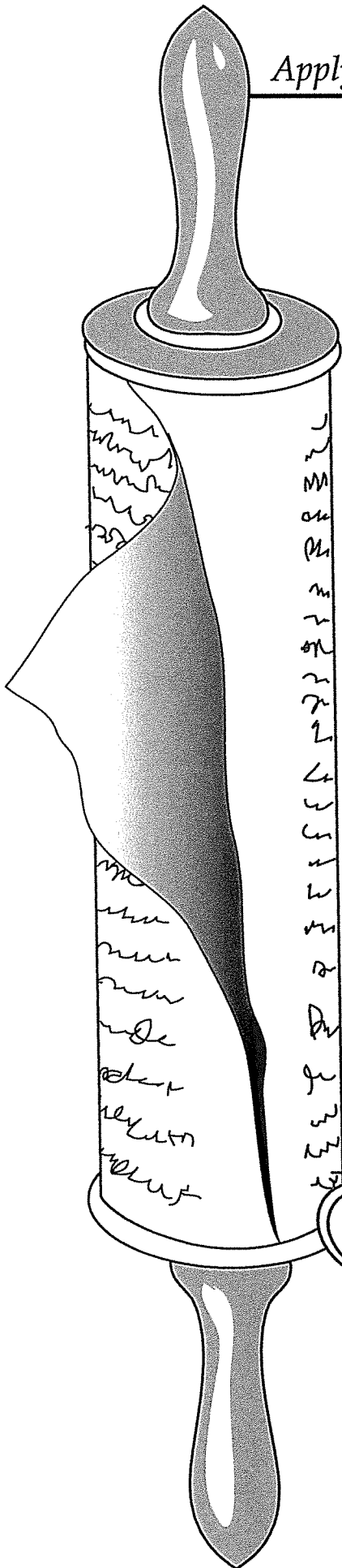


## A Brief Summary of the Seven Seals

**Chapter 6:1; Jesus, the Only One Worthy, Begins Opening the Seven Seals!**  
John saw the Lamb (Jesus) opening one of the seals. Then he heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come and see."



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**Chapter 6:2; The Antichrist Rides!**  
The white horse and a rider went out conquering. He had a bow, and a crown that was given to him.

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**Chapter 6:3-4; War on the Earth!**  
The fiery red horse and rider take peace from the earth. People kill one another. The rider was given a great sword.

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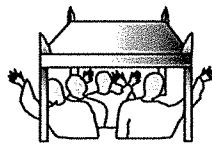
**Chapter 6:5-6; Famine on the Earth!**  
The black horse and a rider with a pair of scales in his hand. A quart of wheat for a denarius (a day's wages), and three quarts of barley for a denarius. He was told not to harm the oil and the wine.

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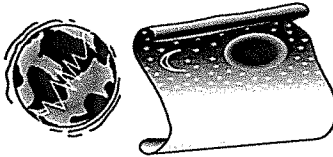
**Chapter 6:7-8; Death and Hades Ride!**  
The pale horse and the rider named Death. Hades followed with him. Power was given to them over a fourth of the earth to kill with sword, hunger, death, and by the beasts of the earth.

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**Chapter 6:9-11; Tribulation Martyrs Cry Out!**  
Souls under the altar in heaven who were slain for the Word of God and the testimony they held, ask the Lord to avenge their blood. They were given white robes and told to wait for the full number of brethren who would be martyred.

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**Chapter 6:12-17; The Earth Quakes!**  
There was a great earthquake, the sun became black, the moon like blood, stars of heaven fell, the sky receded as a scroll, every mountain and island was moved out of its place. Men hid in caves and the rocks of the mountains.

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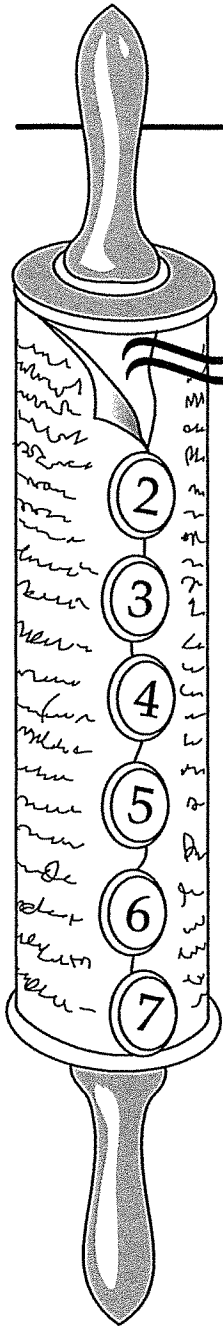
Between the Sixth & Seventh Seal

**Chapter 7:1-8; 144,000 Israelites Sealed!**  
**Chapter 7:9-17; Martyred Tribulation Saints Seen in Heaven!**  
Tribulation saints in white robes holding palm branches at the throne of God.

**Chapter 8-11; The Seventh Seal is Opened!**  
Silence in heaven for half an hour. Then seven angels with trumpets begin sounding. More judgments to come upon earth and its people!







"For when they say,  
'Peace and safety!'  
then sudden destruction  
comes upon them,  
as labor pains upon  
a pregnant woman...."  
- 1 Thessalonians 5:3

King James Version:  
"And through his policy  
also he shall cause craft  
to prosper in his hand;  
and he shall magnify  
himself in his heart,  
and by peace shall  
destroy many: he shall  
also stand up against  
the Prince of princes;  
but he shall be broken  
without hand."  
- Daniel 8:25

## Jesus Opens the First Seal! Behold a White Horse!

"Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals;  
and I heard one of the four living creatures saying  
with a voice like thunder, "Come and see."

And I looked, and behold, a white horse.

*who* He ~~was~~ sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given  
to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer."

- Revelation 6:1-2

We know that this isn't Jesus because He is in heaven opening the seals!  
This man on a white horse is an impostor! Jesus warned us, saying:  
"Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My Name, saying,  
'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many." - Matthew 24:4-5

Read the following verse about Jesus' Second Coming. Compare it with the  
rider seen in the first seal. "Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse.  
And He Who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges  
and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns.  
He had a Name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe  
dipped in blood, and His Name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven,  
clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His  
mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself  
will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and  
wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a Name written:  
KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS." -Revelation 19:11-16

Who will follow him? Revelation 13:8, says;  
"All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written  
in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

Why will the world follow him? Daniel 9:27, says;  
"Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the  
week he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering..." He will confirm a seven-year  
covenant with many, but 3 1/2 years into that covenant, he will stop sacrifices  
and offerings. He will appear to be a man of peace, but it will be a false peace.

He will claim to be God, but he's a false messiah! Matthew 24:15-16, says;  
"Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet,  
standing in the holy place (whoever reads, let him understand), then let those who are  
in Judea flee to the mountains." The false messiah will sit in the temple of God and  
claim that he is God! "Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come  
unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,  
who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that  
he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God."  
- 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4



# The Revelation of Jesus Christ

## Chapter 6:1-2

### Discussion Questions

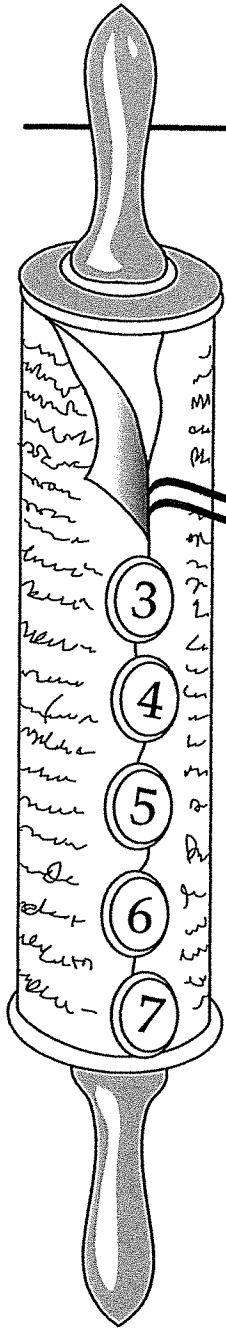
Keep in mind that the following events are things that will take place on the earth.

1. Read Rev. 6:1, Who opened the seal? (Rev. 5:6-7)
2. Read Rev. 6:2, what did John see?
3. Who do you think this is?
4. Read Rev. 19:11-16, is this the same person that is described in Rev. 6:2?
5. Read Matt. 24:4-5, what are we warned about?
6. Who will follow the false messiah? (Rev. 13:8)
7. Why will they follow him? (Dan. 9:27)
8. What does the Bible tell us will happen when the Antichrist declares peace? (1 Thess. 5:3)

### Memory Verse

"...Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many."

Matthew 24:4-5 (NKJV)



## Jesus Opens the Second Seal! Another Horse, Fiery Red!

"When He opened the second seal,  
I heard the second living creature saying,  
'Come and see.' Another horse, fiery red, went out.  
And it was granted to the one who sat on it  
to take peace from the earth,  
and that people should kill one another;  
and there was given to him a great sword."

- Revelation 6:3-4

Jesus,  
the Prince of Peace.  
"For unto us a Child  
is born, unto us a Son  
is given; and the  
government will be  
upon His shoulder.  
And His Name will  
be called Wonderful,  
Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of His  
government and peace  
there will be no end,  
upon the throne of David  
and over His kingdom,  
to order it and establish it  
with judgment and justice  
from that time forward,  
even forever. The zeal  
of the Lord of hosts  
will perform this."  
- Isaiah 9:6-7

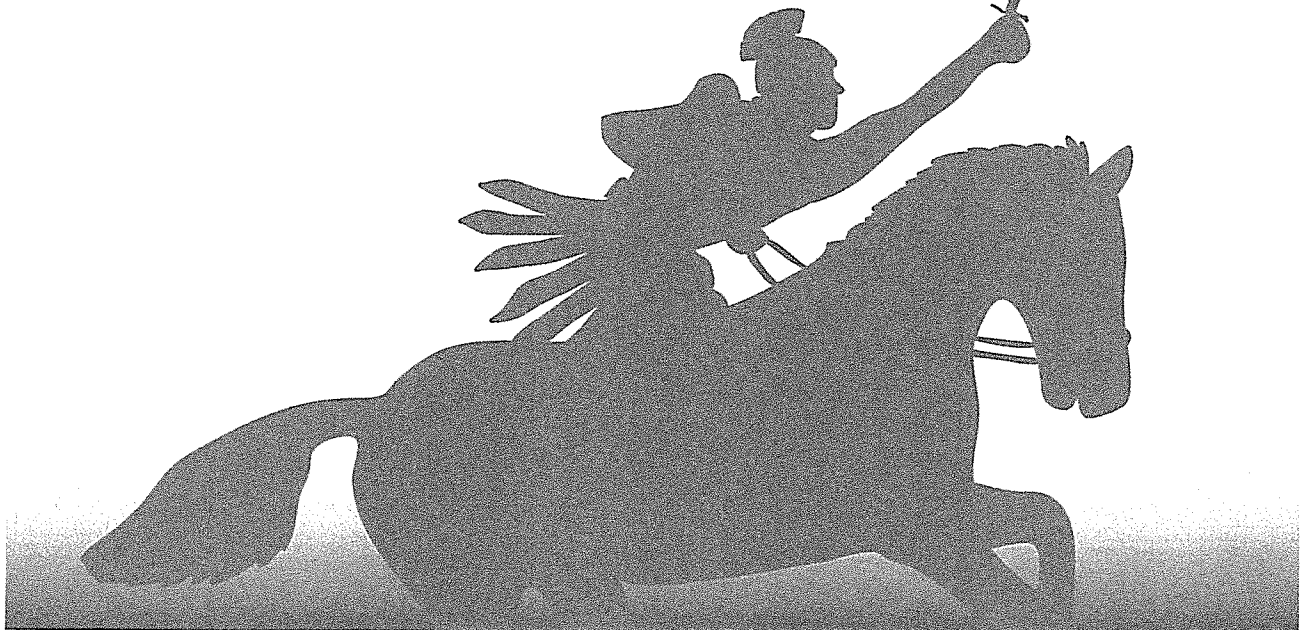
We know for sure that the opening of the first seal was not Jesus' Second Coming because Jesus is the Prince of Peace. When He comes at His Second Coming, He will establish His kingdom. Isaiah 2:4 says; "He shall judge between the nations, and rebuke many people; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

Isaiah 9:7, says that of His government and peace there will be no end. This is a description of His coming kingdom;

"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away. Then He Who sat on the throne said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' And He said to me, 'Write, for these Words are true and faithful.'" - Revelation 21:4-5

The rider on the red horse is granted to take peace (the false peace given by the rider of the white horse) from the earth. After Jesus warned His disciples about the deception of many who will come in His Name, claiming to be the Christ, He said; "And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom...."

- Matthew 24:6-7



## The Revelation of Jesus Christ

### Chapter 6:3-4

#### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 6:3, Who opened the second seal? (Rev. 6:1)
2. Read Rev. 6:4, what did John see?

*Note: It's interesting that it was granted the rider of the red horse to take peace. God is always in control, even during the Tribulation. Job, Chapters 1 and 2 show us how God has control of everything the devil does.*

3. What does the red horse represent? (Read the front of the lesson.)
4. What will happen on the earth when the second seal is opened? (Rev. 6:4)

#### Memory Verse

"...Take heed \_\_\_\_\_ . For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many."

Matthew 24:4-5 (NKJV)

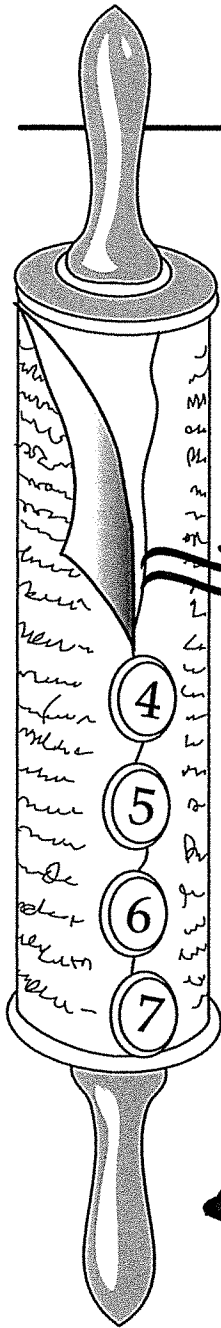
## Jesus Opens the Third Seal! A Black Horse!

"When He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, 'Come and see.' So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. And I heard 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 the wine.'" - Revelation 6:5-6

The rider of the white horse gave false peace under the coming Antichrist, then the rider of the red horse took it away and brought the sword. With the sword (war), comes famine and shortages of food. Bread will become very expensive. A day's wages will buy a small loaf of bread. Some people will barely be able to survive, while others will continue to have their luxuries, such as wine and oil.

*"Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is at hand; it shall come as destruction from the Almighty. Is not the food cut off before our eyes, joy and gladness from the house of our God? The seed shrivels under the clods, storehouses are in shambles; barns are broken down, for the grain has withered. How the animals groan! The herds of cattle are restless, because they have no pasture; even the flocks of sheep suffer punishment."* - Joel 1:15-18

Revelation 18:8, says; "Therefore her (Babylon's) plagues will come in one day—death and mourning and famine. And she will be utterly burned with fire, for strong is the Lord God Who judges her."



## The Revelation of Jesus Christ

### Chapter 6:5-6

#### Discussion Questions

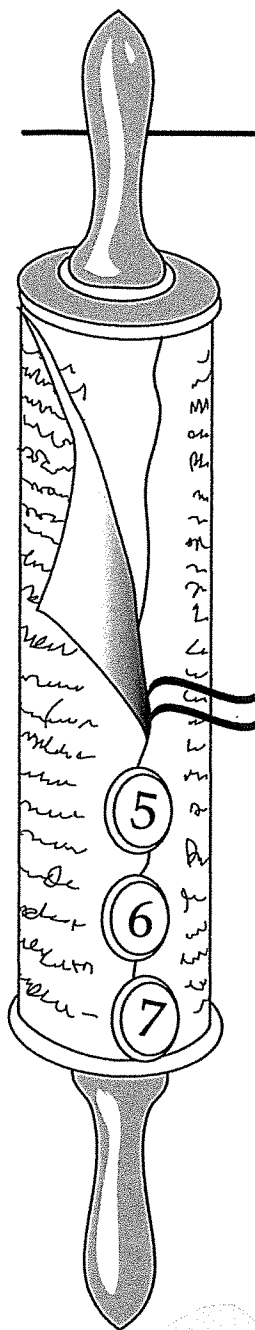
1. Read Rev. 6:5, what seal is opened and Who opened it? (Rev. 5:9)
2. What did John see?
3. What do the scales represent? (Joel 1:15-18; Matt. 24:7)
4. Read Rev. 6:6, what do you think this means? (Read the front of the lesson.)

#### Memory Verse

"...Take heed that no one deceives you. \_\_\_\_\_,  
saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many."

Matthew 24:4-5 (NKJV)

## Jesus Opens the Fourth Seal! A Pale Horse!



"...I have the keys of Hades and of Death."  
- Revelation 1:18

"Our God is the God of salvation; and to God the Lord belong escapes from death."  
- Psalm 68:20

"...that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage."  
- Hebrews 2:14-15

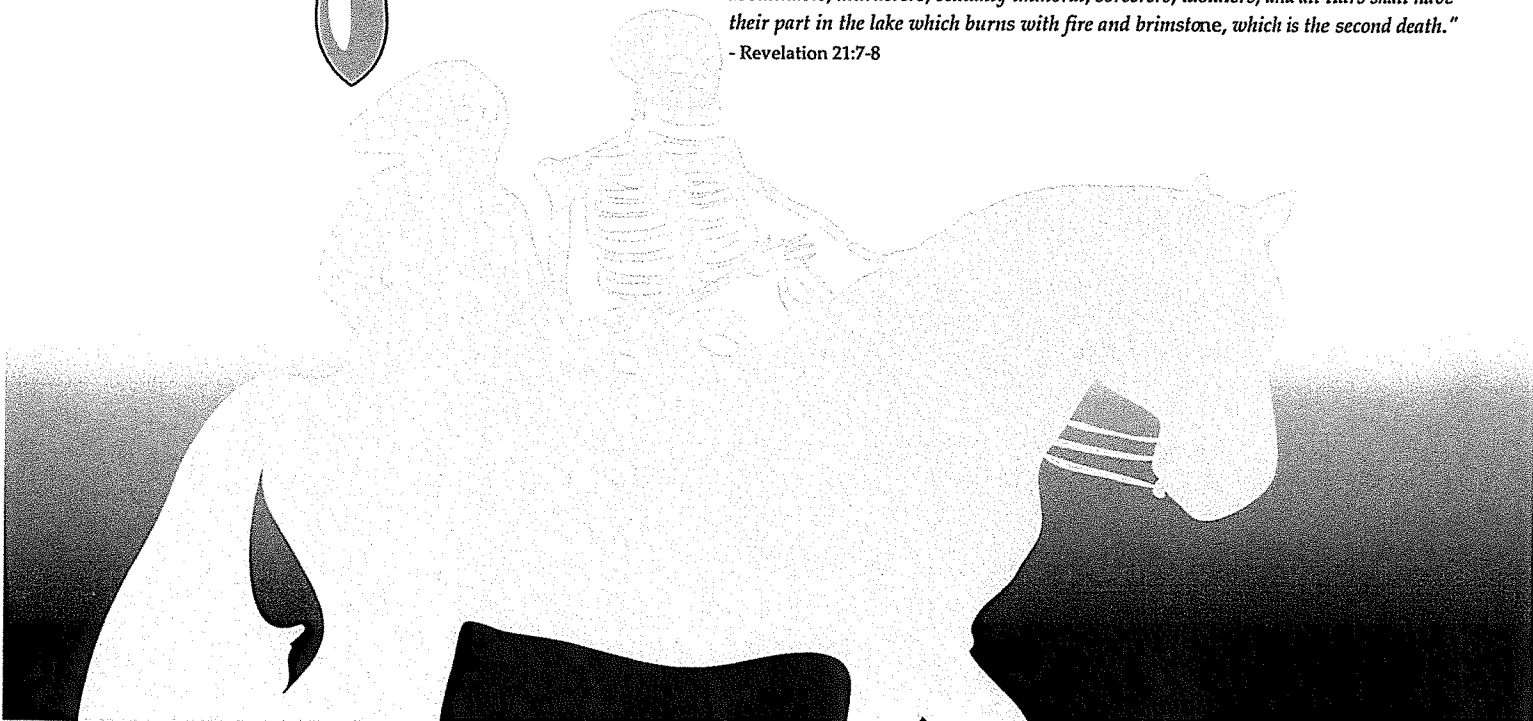
"The last enemy that will be destroyed is death."  
- 1 Corinthians 15:26

"When He opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, 'Come and see.' So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him. And power was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth." - Revelation 6:7-8

The rider of the white horse gave false peace under the coming Antichrist, then the rider of the red horse took it away and brought the sword. With the sword (war), famine (food shortages), death, and Hades soon follow! Hungry animals kill humans to survive.

Concerning death, Romans 6:23, says; "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." If you are born again, you have eternal life, though your body dies! But the unsaved are dead spiritually even as they live physically. Upon physical death, they await the day of judgment in a place called Hades. Then they are judged; "Then I saw a great white throne and Him Who sat on it, from Whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." - Revelation 20:11-15

Believers have a promise from Jesus, that those who are Overcomers shall not be hurt by the second death (Revelation 2:11). "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."  
- Revelation 21:7-8



## The Revelation of Jesus Christ

### Chapter 6:7-8

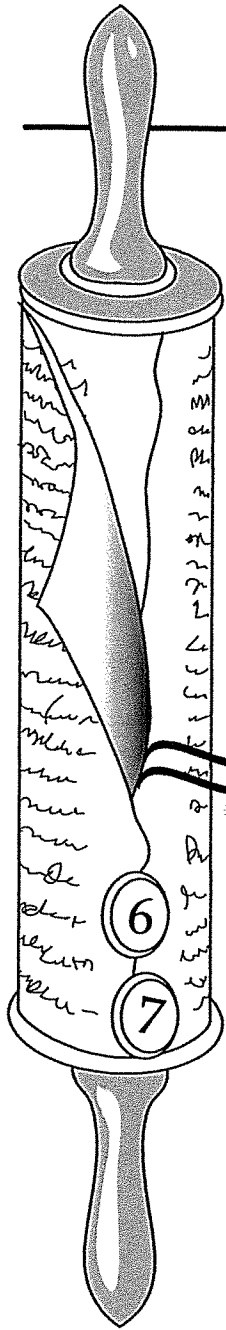
#### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 6:7-8, what color is the horse?
2. Read Rev. 6:8, what is the name of the rider and who followed him?
3. Who holds the keys to Death and Hades and has control over all things? (Rev. 1:18)
4. What are the four things the rider of the pale horse is given power over? (Rev. 6:8)

#### Memory Verse

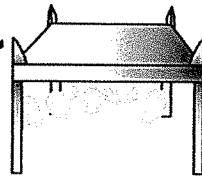
"...Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying,  
' \_\_\_\_\_ ,' and will deceive many."

Matthew 24:4-5 (NKJV)



*"Rejoice, O Gentiles,  
with His people;  
for He will avenge  
the blood of His servants,  
and render vengeance  
to His adversaries;  
He will provide  
atonement for His land  
and His people."*

- Deuteronomy 32:43



*"Then one of the elders  
answered, saying to me,  
'Who are these arrayed  
in white robes, and where  
did they come from?'  
And I said to him,  
'Sir, you know.'  
So he said to me,  
'These are the ones who  
come out of the great  
tribulation, and washed  
their robes and made  
them white in the blood  
of the Lamb.'"*

- Revelation 7:13-14

## Jesus Opens the Fifth Seal! Martyrs Under the Altar Cry Out!

"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 testimony which they held. And they cried with a loud voice, saying,

*'How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?'*

Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed." - Revelation 6:9-11



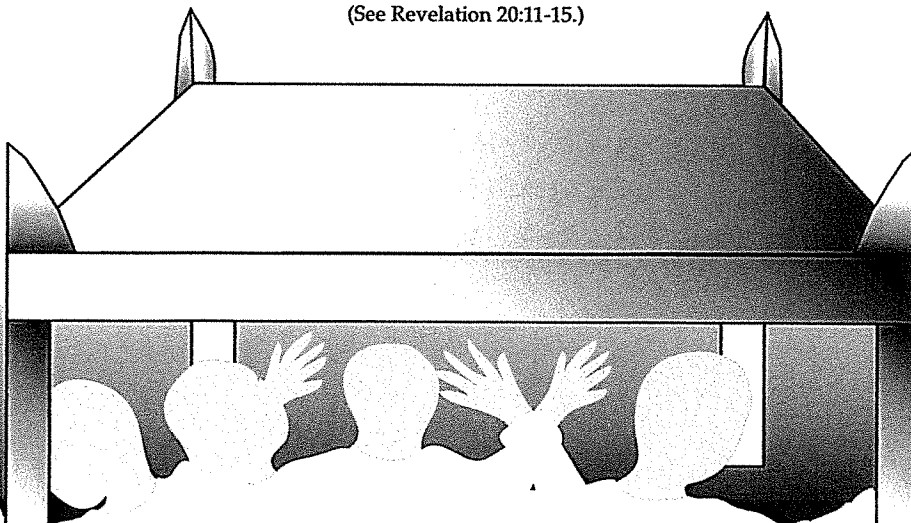
During the Great Tribulation, many will be saved, but they will have to die for their faith. They were not born again before the Rapture of the Church. Tribulation saints' souls will be kept under the altar in heaven until the number of their fellow servants and brethren, who will be killed, is complete.

Their prayers are not like the Church's first martyr, Stephen, who said; "... 'Lord, do not charge them with this sin.'" - Acts 7:60

These Tribulation saints will be slain for the Word of God and for the testimony which they hold. Those two things were the reasons for John being on Patmos (Revelation 1:9). Remember Jesus' letter to the church at Sardis? Overcomers were promised white garments, too.

The Tribulation saints will be given into the hand of the Antichrist for 3 1/2 years. Daniel 7:25, says; "He (the antichrist) shall speak pompous words against the Most High, shall persecute the saints of the Most High, and shall intend to change times and law. Then the saints shall be given into his hand for a time and times and half a time (3 1/2 years)." Revelation 13:5-7, says; "And he (the antichrist) was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months (3 1/2 years). Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His Name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue and nation."

God will avenge the blood of His apostles, prophets and saints. (See Revelation 18:20 & Revelation 19:2.) And judgment is coming. (See Revelation 20:11-15.)



# The Revelation of Jesus Christ

## Chapter 6:9-11

### Vocabulary in Context With Today's Lesson

martyr-one who has proved the strength and genuineness of his faith in Christ by undergoing a violent death  
testimony-open declaration or profession of one's faith in Christ

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 6:9, what did John see?

2. Where were the souls?

*Note: The altar represents the very presence of God. When Jesus died the veil in the Holy of Holies in the Temple was literally torn from top to bottom (Matt. 27:51). Jesus' death allowed us to enter into His presence at anytime (Heb. 4:16).*

3. Where do Christians go as soon as they die? (2 Cor. 5:6-8)

4. Why were the Christians martyred? (Rev. 6:9)

5. Why was John exiled to the Isle of Patmos? (Rev. 1:9)

6. Are Christians guaranteed an easy trouble-free life? (John 16:33; 2 Tim. 3:12)

7. What did the martyrs cry? (Rev. 6:10)

8. Read Rev. 6:10, Who is the One who will avenge? (Deut. 32:43; Rom. 12:19)

9. Read Rev. 6:11, what was given to the martyrs?

10. Who are promised white robes? (Rev. 3:5)

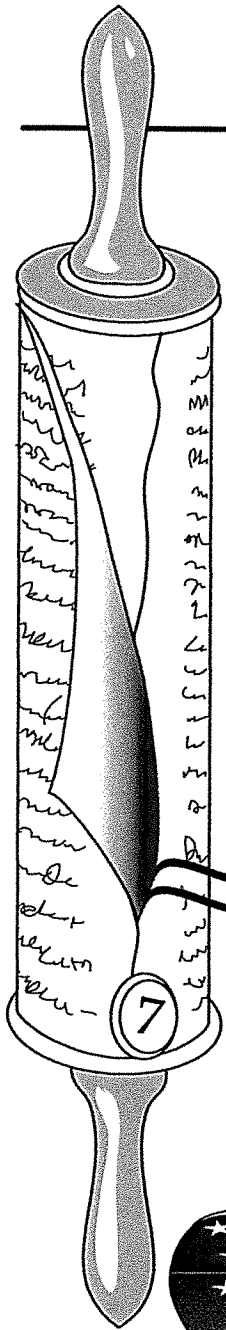
11. Read Rev. 6:11, what are the martyrs told to do?

*Note: The martyrs are resting under the altar, they are with Jesus. We have our rest in Jesus when we are born again (Matt. 11:28).*

### Memory Verse

"...These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

Revelation 7:14 (NKJV)



*"They shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, from the terror of the Lord and the glory of His majesty, when He arises to shake the earth mightily. In that day a man will cast away his idols of silver and his idols of gold, which they made, each for himself to worship, to the moles and bats, to go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the crags of the rugged rocks, from the terror of the Lord*

*and the glory of His majesty, when He arises to shake the earth mightily."*  
- Isaiah 2:19-21  
(See Isaiah 2:10-12.)

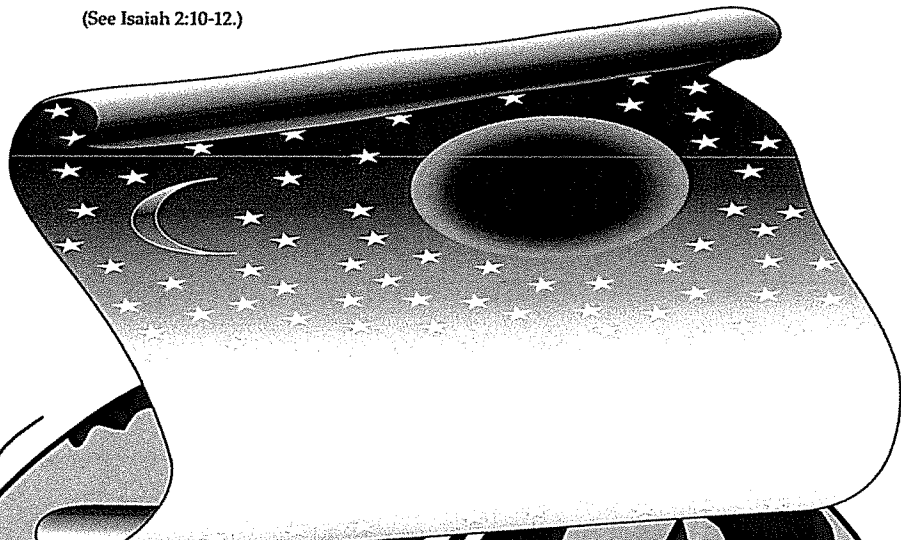
## Jesus Opens the Sixth Seal! The Earth Quakes...!

"I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, and said to the mountains and rocks, 'Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him Who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?'" - Revelation 6:12-17

Jesus warned of this time saying, "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other." -Matthew 24:29-31

*"The earth quakes before them, the heavens tremble; the sun and moon grow dark, and the stars diminish their brightness. The Lord gives voice before His army, for His camp is very great; for strong is the One Who executes His Word. For the day of the Lord is great and very terrible; who can endure it?"*  
- Joel 2:10-11



# The Revelation of Jesus Christ

## Chapter 6:12-17

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 6:12, what is the first thing John saw?
2. What did the sun and moon look like?

*Note: John was looking at things that were more than 2000 years into the future. He described with the understanding that he had at that time. Notice that the moon became like blood. It must have been difficult for him to put into words things that he didn't fully understand.*

3. Read Rev. 6:13, what happened next?
4. Read Joel 2:10,31, these are the same events that the Lord showed Joel 800 years B.C.
5. Read Rev. 6:14, compare this to the passage in Is. 34:4. are these the same events?

*Note: God had given these prophecies long ago to the Old Testament prophets to write down. He has confirmed them with the prophet Joel and Isaiah. Jesus also talks about these same things in Matthew 24. The Lord Himself tells us in Matt. 18:16, "By the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established."*

6. Read Rev. 6:15, describe the kinds of men mentioned here.
7. What did they do? (Is. 2:10, 19-21)
8. Read Rev. 6:16-17, what did they cry out?
9. Did they know who was causing these things?
10. Did they repent and cry out for forgiveness?
11. God told us that He will pour out His wrath on a Christ rejecting world (Zeph. 1:14-17). Are those who are born again going to experience God's wrath? (1 Thess. 5:9; Rev. 3:10)

### Memory Verse

"For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ."  
I Thessalonians 5:9 (NKJV)

## The Children of Israel; 144,000 Sealed Servants of God

"After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree.

Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God.

And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.'

And I heard the number of those who were sealed.

One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel were sealed:

of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand were sealed;  
of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed."

- Revelation 7:1-8

These are Jewish Believers who are sealed by the Name of God on their foreheads.

*"Then I looked and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's Name written on their foreheads."* - Revelation 14:1

They will have a special ministry on the earth during the Great Tribulation and God will preserve them till the end of that time.

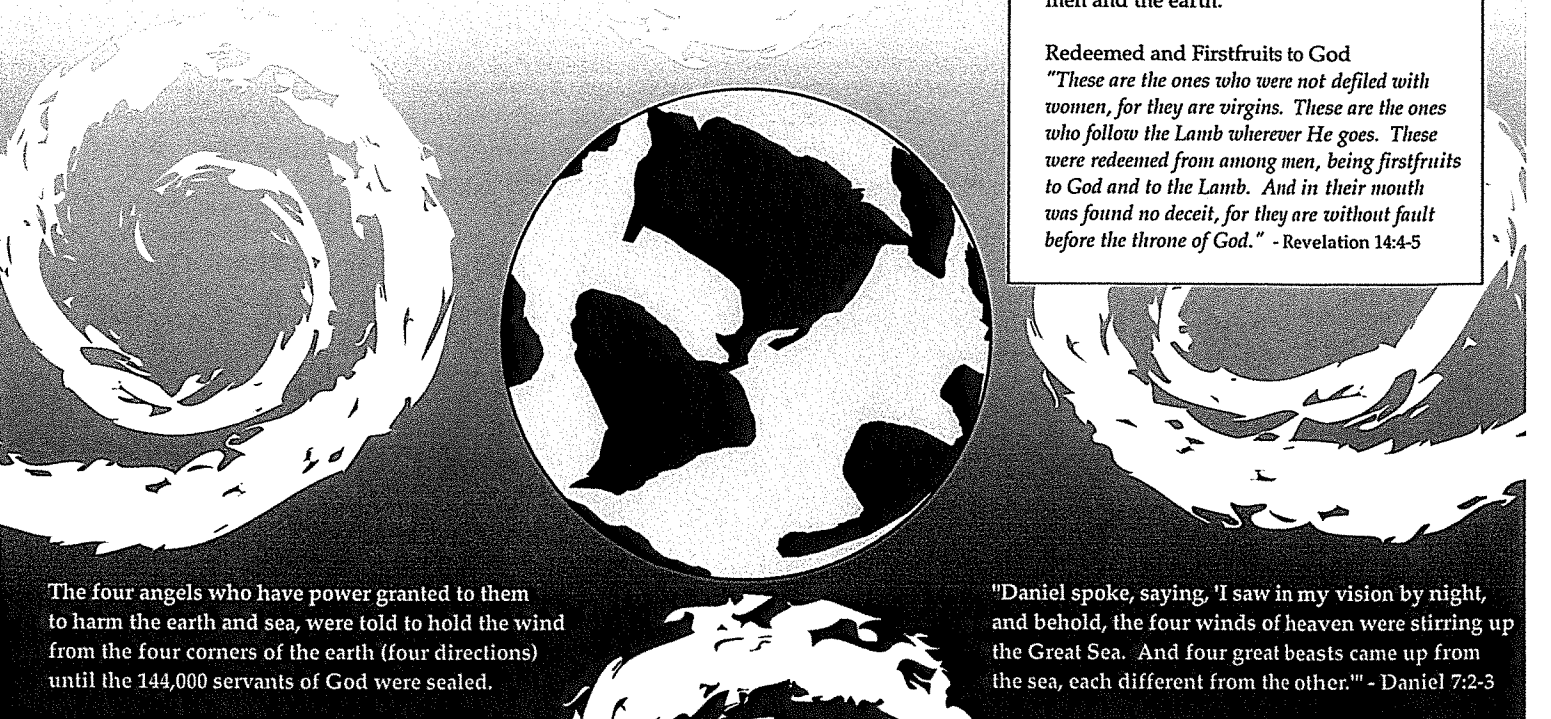
Why are they sealed between the opening of the sixth and seventh seal? Because a horrible judgment of locusts will come upon the earth to harm everyone who does not have the seal of God on their foreheads. (See Revelation 9:4.) In Exodus, God sent many plagues upon the Egyptians, but He preserved Israel through them all. The last plague killed all of the firstborn of Egypt, even the firstborn of the animals! But the Israelites were told to take the blood of a lamb and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they were to eat it. *"Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt."* - Exodus 12:13

Remember that Jesus is the Passover Lamb Who died for our sins. When God sees His Blood on us, His judgment passes over us! Only the Blood of Jesus redeems us unto God.

In Revelation 14:1-5, we will see these same 144,000 in heaven! They will sing a new song that no one could learn except them! They will be firstfruits to God and the Lamb, and will have been redeemed from among men and the earth.

**Redeemed and Firstfruits to God**

*"These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God."* - Revelation 14:4-5



The four angels who have power granted to them to harm the earth and sea, were told to hold the wind from the four corners of the earth (four directions) until the 144,000 servants of God were sealed.

"Daniel spoke, saying, 'I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the Great Sea. And four great beasts came up from the sea, each different from the other.'" - Daniel 7:2-3

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## Chapter 7:1-8

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 7:1, what did John see?
2. What did the angels stop?
3. Read Rev. 7:2, what did this angel have and whom was it from?
4. Read Rev. 7:2-3, whom did this angel cry to and what did he say?
5. Where was the seal of God placed on His servants?
6. Read Rev. 7:4, how many were sealed?
7. What kind of people were sealed? (Rev. 7:5; Rev. 14:4)
8. Why do you think God put a special seal on them? (Read the front of the lesson.)

### Memory Verse

"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."  
Revelation 7:17b (NKJV)

## A Great Multitude From all Nations Clothed in White!

"After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, '*Salvation belongs to our God Who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!*' All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: '*Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever. Amen.*'"



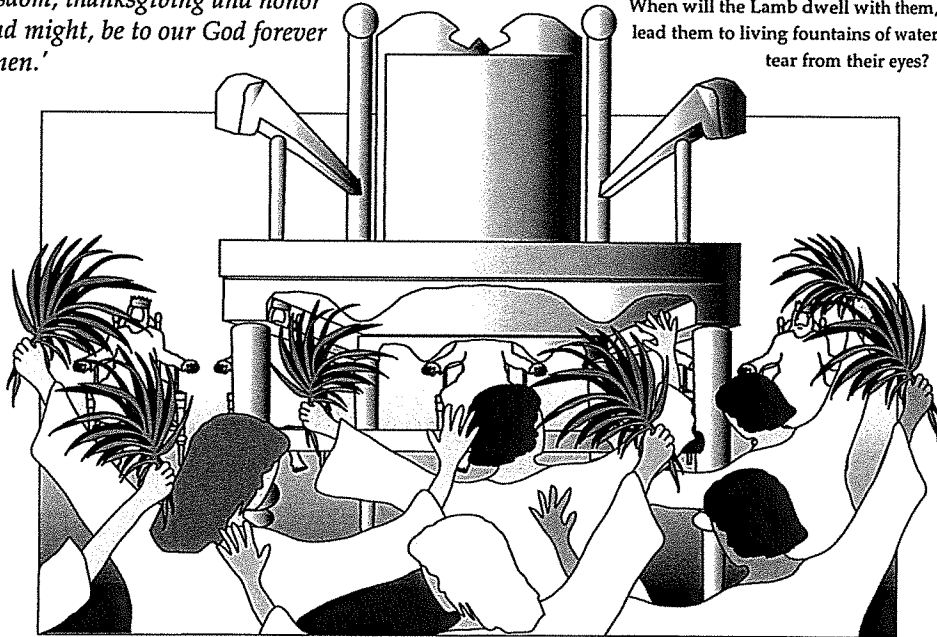
Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, '*Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?*' And I said to him, '*Sir, you know.*' So he said to me, '*These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb.*'



*Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He Who sits on the throne will dwell among them.*

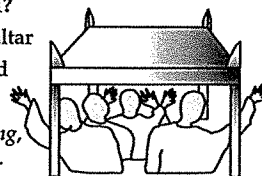
*They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; for the Lamb Who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'* - Revelation 7:9-17

When will the Lamb dwell with them, shepherd them, lead them to living fountains of waters and wipe away every tear from their eyes? See Revelation 21:1-8



Remember that we saw some souls under the altar who were given white robes in Revelation 6:9-11? "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 testimony which they held. And they cried with a loud voice, saying, '*How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?*' Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed."

- Revelation 6:9-11



This could be a sneak preview of a future time when the souls seen under the altar, (who were given white robes and were killed for the Word of God, and for the testimony they held), are joined with this multitude from all nations, tribes, peoples and tongues. Those under the altar were told to wait for the number of their fellow servants and brethren to be completed. These are all tribulation saints. This multitude clothed in white, will praise the Lord, saying; '*Salvation belongs to our God Who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!*' Remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem? (We call it Palm Sunday, now.) Read John 12:12-13. Multitudes waved palm branches and cried, "*Hosanna! (Save now!) Blessed is He Who comes in the Name of the Lord!*"

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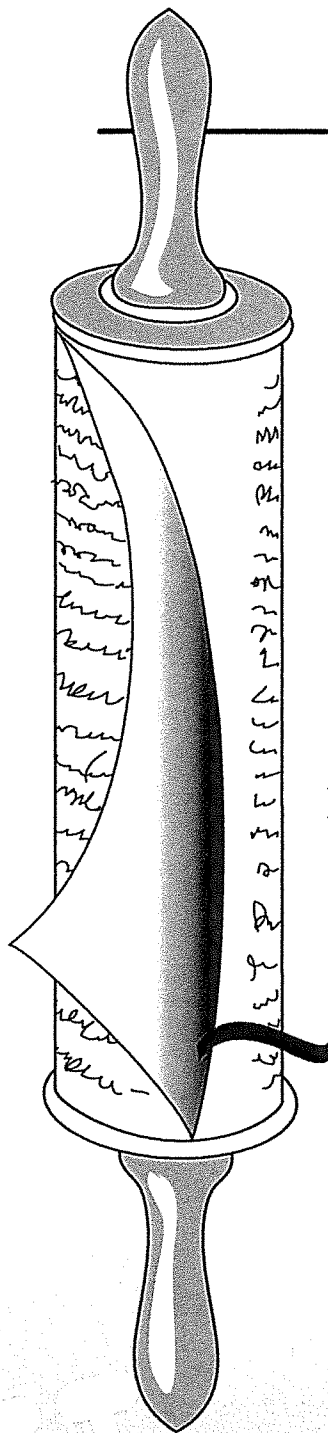
## Chapter 7:9-17

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 7:9, how many were gathered before the throne?
2. Where were the multitudes from?
3. What were they wearing?
4. How do we get white robes? (Rev. 3:5)
5. Read Rev. 7:9, what did they have in their hands?
6. Where else were palm branches used to praise Jesus? (John 12:12-13)
7. Read Rev. 7:9-12, describe the scene around the throne.
8. Read Rev. 7:13-14, who are those in white robes holding the palm branches?
9. How are the robes made white? (Rev. 7:14)
10. Read Rev. 7:15, what are the tribulation saints doing?
11. What will the pre-tribulation saints be doing? (Rev. 5:10)
12. Read Rev. 7:16, what do you think were some things the tribulation saints went through?
13. Read Rev. 7:17, what is God going to do?
14. What will it be like for us in heaven? (Rev. 21:4-5)

### Memory Verse

"And \_\_\_ will wipe away every \_\_\_\_\_."  
Revelation \_\_ : \_\_\_ (NKJV)



*"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."*

-2 Peter 3:9

*"See that you do not refuse Him Who speaks. For if they did not escape who refused Him Who spoke on earth, much more shall we not escape if we turn away from Him Who speaks from heaven, Whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, 'Yet once more I shake not only the earth, but also heaven.'"*

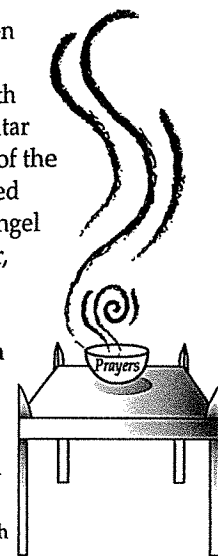
- Hebrews 12:25-26

### SILENCE IN HEAVEN FOR ABOUT HALF AN HOUR

## Jesus Opens the Seventh Seal!

"When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets. Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand. Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake. So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound."

- Revelation 8:1-6



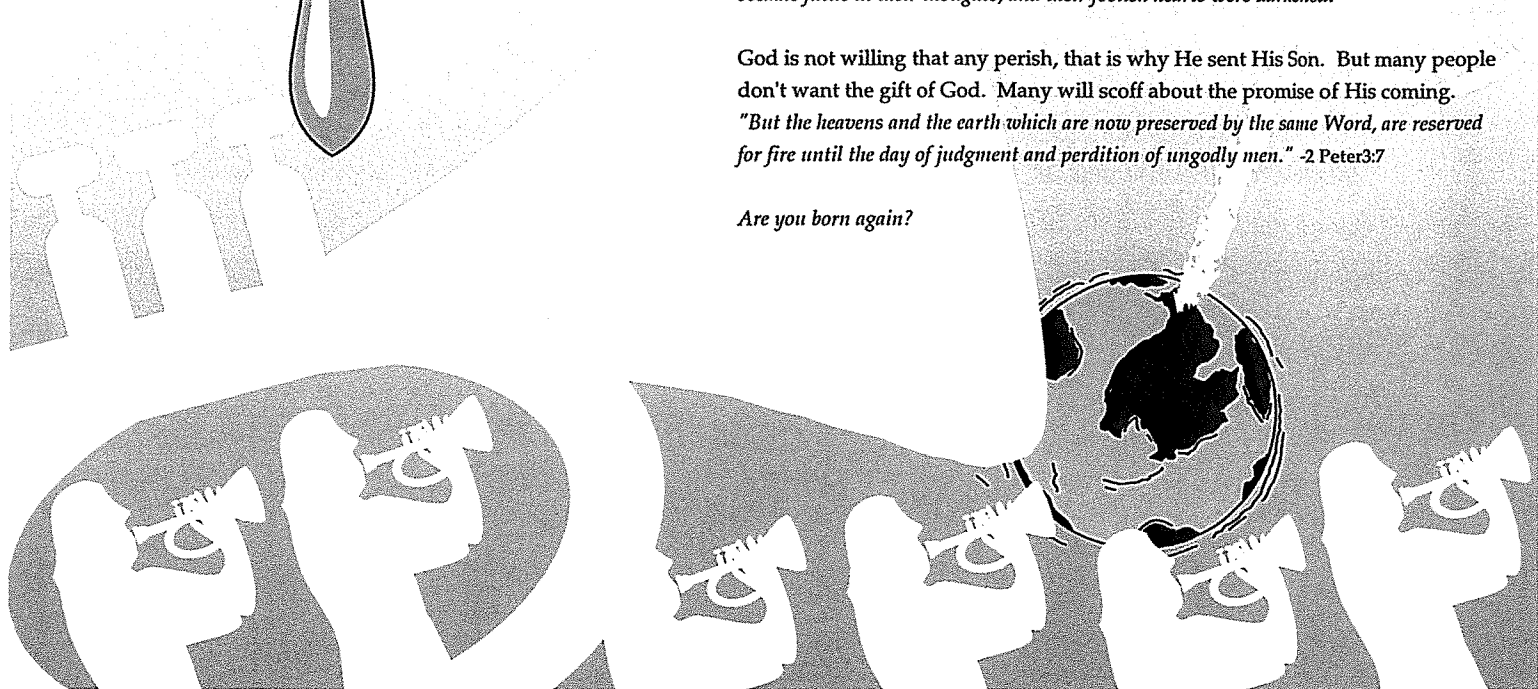
When Jesus opened the six seals, terrible things happened on the earth. People hid in the caves and the rocks from the face of Him Who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb. The people dwelling on the earth will know that the things coming upon them are from the Lord's hand. This half an hour of silence may be time in which the people of the earth are given to repent.

Romans 1:18-21, tells us why God's wrath is coming:

*"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, because although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened."*

God is not willing that any perish, that is why He sent His Son. But many people don't want the gift of God. Many will scoff about the promise of His coming. *"But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same Word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men."* -2 Peter 3:7

Are you born again?



## The Revelation of Jesus Christ

### Chapter 8:1-6

#### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 8:1, Who opened the seventh seal? (Rev. 5:9; Rev. 6:1)
2. What do you think the silence was about?

*Note: It is possible that God was giving those on the earth yet another opportunity to repent and turn to Him.*

3. Read Rev. 8:2, what were the seven angels holding?
4. Read Rev. 8:3-4, what did the angel offer before the throne of God? (Rev. 5:8)

*Note: Remember back in Exodus, the tabernacle was built according to the exact instructions God gave to Moses on Mount Sinai (Exodus 25-27; 35-38).*

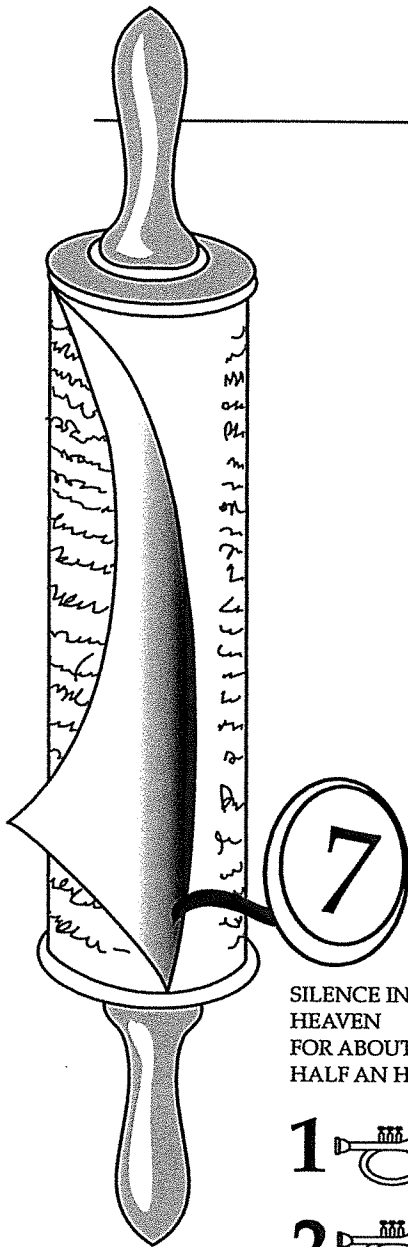
5. Read Rev. 8:5, what did the angel do with the censer and what happened?
6. Read Rev. 8:6, what were the angels preparing to do?

#### Memory Verse

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

2 Peter 3:9 (NKJV)

## The Half An Hour of Silence Ends, And the Seven Angels Begin to Sound Their Trumpets!

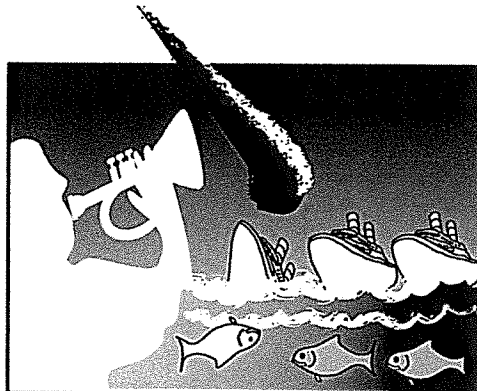


SILENCE IN  
HEAVEN  
FOR ABOUT  
HALF AN HOUR



"The first angel sounded:  
And hail and fire followed, mingled with  
blood, and they were thrown to the earth.  
And a third of the trees were burned up,  
and all green grass was burned up."

- Revelation 8:7



"Then the second angel sounded:  
And something like a great mountain  
burning with fire was thrown into the  
sea, and a third of the sea became blood.  
And a third of the living creatures in  
the sea died, and a third of the ships  
were destroyed." - Revelation 8:8-9

Remember Revelation 7:1-3?  
"After these things I saw four angels  
standing at the four corners of the  
earth, holding the four winds of the  
earth, that the wind should not blow  
on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree.  
Then I saw another angel ascending  
from the east, having the seal of the  
living God. And he cried with a loud  
voice to the four angels to whom it was  
granted to harm the earth and the sea,  
saying, 'Do not harm the earth, the sea,  
or the trees till we have sealed the  
servants of our God on their foreheads.'"

God waited until His 144,000  
Israelite servants were sealed before  
He allowed the angels to whom it  
was granted, to harm the earth,  
the sea, or trees. But now, with His  
servants sealed, and time given for  
those on the earth to repent, God  
lets the judgment proceed. The  
disasters from the first four trumpets  
are similar to the judgments that God  
sent upon the Egyptians, on behalf  
of His people, Israel. (See Exodus.)  
Remember that Egypt had enslaved  
God's people and the Pharaoh would  
not set them free. That is how it is  
with sin. Sin has enslaved people,  
but Jesus Christ came to set us free.  
Not everyone wants to be free!  
Some like their sins more than God  
and don't want freedom through His  
Son. Having rejected Jesus, and God's  
pardon, the world earns the wages  
of sin, which is death and suffering.

1. God sent hail and fire upon Egypt.  
Read Exodus 9:22-26.

2. Water turned to blood in Egypt.  
Read Exodus 7:19-25.

When all the grass is burned up,  
and one third of the trees, the oxygen  
supply could be depleted for the  
ones who survive. With one third of  
the sea creatures dead, starvation  
and disease would become a horrible  
problem for the people on this earth.  
The consequences of these trumpet  
judgments only magnifies the first  
four seals; the coming Antichrist,  
war, famine, death and hades.

Are you born again?

## The Revelation of Jesus Christ Chapter 8:7-9

### Discussion Questions

*Note: Remember Rev. 7:1-3, God sealed the 144,000 Israelites before the angels were allowed to harm the earth.*

1. Read Rev. 8:7, what happened when the first trumpet sounded?

*Note: Ezekiel 38:22 describes this same event.*

2. What do you think will happen when a third of the trees and all of the grass will be burned up?

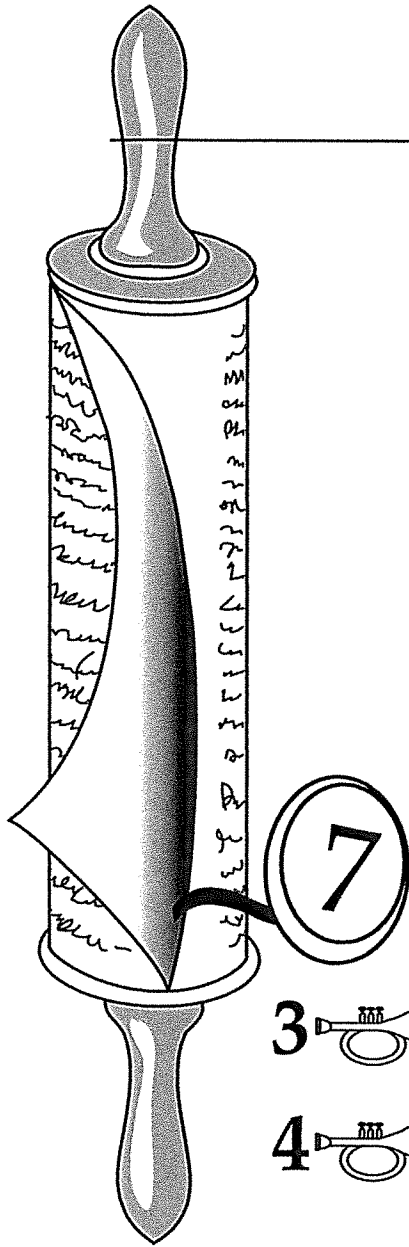
3. Read Rev. 8:8-9, what happened at the second trumpet blast?

4. What do you think will result from this?

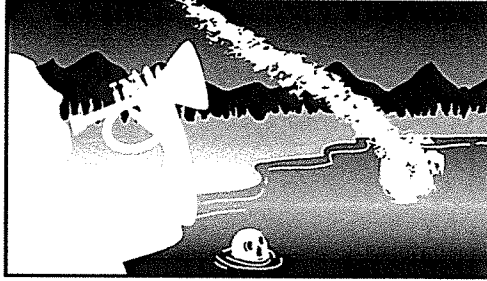
### Memory Verse


"\_\_\_\_\_ concerning His promise, as some count  
slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ but that all should come to repentance."

2 Peter 3:9 (NKJV)



## More Angels Sound Their Trumpets!




 "Then the third angel sounded:  
And a great star fell from heaven,  
burning like a torch, and it fell on a third  
of the rivers and on the springs of water.  
The name of the star is Wormwood.  
A third of the waters became wormwood,  
and many men died from the water,  
because it was made bitter." - Revelation 8:10-11

After the third trumpet sounds, one-third of the fresh, drinking water is affected by the judgments of God. We don't know what this falling star is, but possibly a meteor. Many men will die because the water is made bitter, or poisonous.

The fourth trumpet sounds, and darkness follows. When the sun is covered by a cloud, its heat is reduced, but this will reduce the sun's heat by one-third! Jesus told us, "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken." -Matthew 24:29

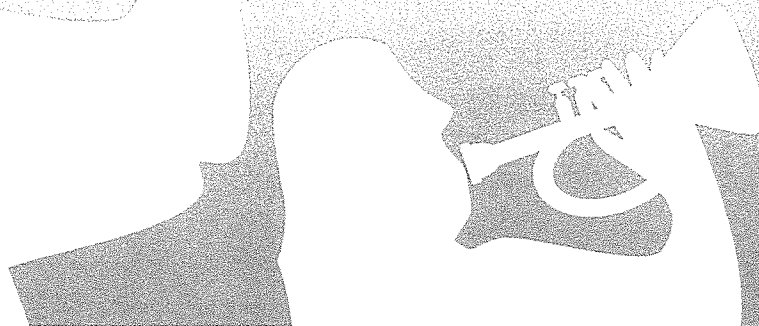


 "Then the fourth angel sounded:  
And a third of the sun was struck, a third  
of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that  
a third of them were darkened. A third  
of the day did not shine, and likewise the  
night. And I looked, and I heard an angel  
(or an eagle) flying through the midst of  
heaven, saying with a loud voice,  
'Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth,  
because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet  
of the three angels who are about to sound!'"  
- Revelation 8:12-13

There's already been trouble in the heavens, remember the sixth seal? "I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. (See the parable of the fig tree, Matthew 24:32-35.) Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place." - Revelation 6:12-14

Trees will struggle for sunlight and crops will not grow. This is a literal darkness, yet we know that there is spiritual darkness in this world, even now.

This type of judgment was also sent to the Egyptians. Exodus 10:21-23, says; "Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, darkness which may even be felt.' So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. They did not see one another; nor did anyone rise from his place for three days. But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings."



## The Revelation of Jesus Christ Chapter 8:10-13

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 8:10, what happened when the third trumpet sounded?
2. What did it affect?
3. Read Rev. 8:11, what is the name of the star?
4. What happened because the water was contaminated?
5. Read Rev. 8:12, describe what happens at the fourth trumpet.
6. What do you think will happen when the days and nights are shortened?

*Note: The disasters of the first four trumpets are like the plagues God sent on the Egyptians, hail and fire (Exodus 9:22-26), water turned to blood (Exodus 7:19-25), and darkness (Exodus 10:21-23).*

7. Read Rev. 8:13, what is the angel crying? Does it sound as if things are going to get better or worse?

*Note: So far, the first four trumpet judgments have dealt with nature.*

### Memory Verse

" \_\_\_\_\_  
as some count slackness, but is \_\_\_\_\_ us, not  
willing  
\_\_\_\_\_ but that all should come to  
\_\_\_\_\_."  
\_\_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_\_ (NKJV)



## A Detailed Summary of the Fifth Trumpet Judgment



### What can we know about this fallen star?

- The star fell from heaven to the earth.
- The star is a being, not a thing.
- To *him* was *given* the key to the bottomless pit.
- Stars can represent angels (Revelation 1:20).

Isaiah 14:12-15, says;

"How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the lowest depths of the Pit."

Revelation 12:7-12, says:

"And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, 'Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. And they overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.'"

### What can we know about the key?

- The key was *given* to the fallen star. Who gave him the key? Remember that Jesus said, "...Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. I am He Who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death."
- Revelation 1:17-18



### What can we know about the angel of the bottomless pit?

- He is an angel and the king over the locusts.
- His name is Abaddon in Hebrew, and Apollyon in Greek.

### What can we know about the bottomless pit?

- There is no bottom. It is bottomless!
- It is a great furnace, with smoke.
- When it was opened the sun and air were darkened.

### What can we know about the locusts?

- They came out of the smoke.
- They came upon the earth.
- Power was *given* to them, as scorpions of the earth have power.
- They were commanded to harm only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. But they did not have the authority to kill them, only to torment them for five months.
- They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree. (Unlike the locusts in Exodus 10:1-20.)
- The torment was *like* a scorpion sting.
- Their tails were like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails.
- The shape of the locusts was *like* horses prepared for battle.
- On their heads were crowns of something *like* gold.
- Their faces were *like* the faces of men.
- Their hair was *like* women's hair.
- Their teeth *like* lions' teeth.
- Their breastplates were *like* breastplates of iron.
- Their wings sounded *like* chariots with many horses running into battle. These are warriors who are going into battle.
- They have a king.

During the Israelite's wandering in the wilderness, the Lord sent fiery serpents among His people (Deuteronomy 8:15, says scorpions, too). Many of the people of Israel died. The people came to Moses and confessed their sins against him and the Lord. (They had been complaining and speaking against Moses and the Lord. They complained about the manna, calling it worthless!) They asked Moses to pray, so he did. God told Moses to make a fiery serpent out of bronze, and set it on a pole. Everyone who was bitten was told to look at it, and then they would live. (Read Numbers 21:4-9.)

That was an Old Testament picture of Jesus! He was made sin for us, bearing our sins so we might live! All we have to do is look to Jesus! The scorpions' and serpents' bite (sin) has no power over believers! We are overcomers through Jesus!


For more information about this plague of locusts, read *The Book of Joel*. The important thing to remember is that God is in control. He grants power to Satan and these demons (the locusts from the bottomless pit) to exercise judgment on all those who have rejected Jesus Christ. But of the 144,000, or His chosen Israelite servants, Joel says, "...The heavens and earth will shake; but the Lord will be a shelter for His people, and the strength of the children of Israel." - Joel 3:16



## The Fifth Trumpet Sounds! Locusts!



The star that falls from heaven is a being. The key to the bottomless pit was given to him. In Revelation 1:18, Jesus said, "...And I have the keys of Hades and of Death." God is on His throne and He has total control over His creation. "For by Him (Jesus) all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist." - Colossians 1:16-17

 "Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the bottomless pit. And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.

And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them.

The shape of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle. On their heads were crowns of something like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men. They had hair like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth. And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle. They had tails like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails. Their power was to hurt men five months.

And they had a king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon. One woe is past. Behold, still two more woes are coming after these things."

- Revelation 9:1-12

Isaiah 14:12, tells us that Lucifer fell from heaven. At the end of the Tribulation he will be bound, and put into the bottomless pit (Revelation 20:1-3). Then he'll be released after a thousand years (Revelation 20:7-10), to go out and deceive the nations again. After that, he will be cast into the lake of fire to be tormented day and night forever.

During the Tribulation, a door will be opened to the bottomless pit and locusts will attack everyone without the seal of God on their foreheads. These locusts from the pit are different from the type that afflicted the Egyptians in *Exodus*, which ate the grass and trees. Proverbs 30:27, tells us that locusts have no king, but these locusts have a king whose name is *Abaddon* in Hebrew, and *Apollyon* in the Greek language; both mean "Destroyer." If we remember *The Book of Job*, God allowed Satan to afflict Job, God's servant. But he wasn't allowed to kill Job. (See Job 2:6.) Satan is a created being and is still subject to God! These locusts are commanded to hurt only certain people for a certain time-frame.

In Luke 10, Jesus sent seventy on a mission. They later returned with joy, saying; "...Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your Name." And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven." - Luke 10:17-20

"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood (humans), but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." - Ephesians 6:12  
Put on the whole armor of God!  
Put on Jesus! Are you born again?

# The Revelation of Jesus Christ

## Chapter 9:1-12

### Vocabulary in Context With Today's Lesson

bottomless pit-abyss; the prison house of the demons

Abaddon-Hebrew word for destruction

Apollyon-Greek word for destroyer

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 9:1, what trumpet blast is happening?
2. What did John see?
3. What was given to *him* ?

*Note: Notice that it was actually a being that fell from heaven, "to him was given the key..."*

4. Who holds the key and gave it to the being? (Rev. 1:18)
5. Read Rev. 9:2, what happened when the bottomless pit was opened?
6. Read Rev. 9:3, what came out of the smoke?
7. Who gave them the power? (Col. 1:16-17)
8. Read Rev. 9:4, who were the ones affected by the locusts?
9. Who and what were the locusts not supposed to harm?
10. Read Rev. 9:5-6, were the locusts allowed to do anything they wanted?
11. What were they allowed to do?

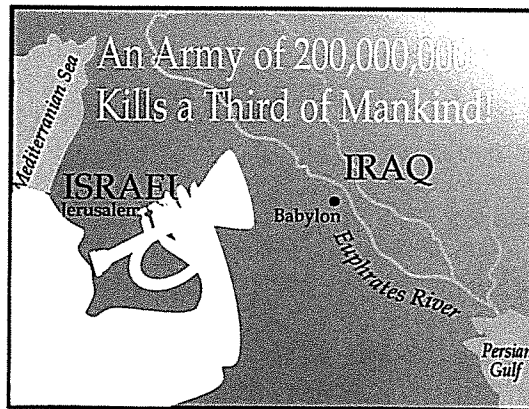
*Note: Once again we see that God is in control of all that happens. He commanded in verse four, and gave authority in verse five. Just as in Job 2:6, the devil was not allowed to kill, only to torment.*

12. Read Rev. 9:7-10, describe what John was seeing.
13. How long were the locusts allowed to torment men? (Rev. 9:10)
14. Read Rev. 9:11. Real locusts do not have a king over them (Prov. 30:27). These creatures have a leader, who is he and what is his name?
15. Read Rev. 9:12, how many woes are left?
16. Are things getting worse with each trumpet?


### Memory Verse

"For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ."  
1 Thessalonians 5:9 (NKJV)

## The Sixth Trumpet Sounds!



The sixth trumpet judgment brings more death to mankind. John heard a voice from the four horns on the golden altar which is before God. Earlier, John saw the souls of those who had been slain for the Word of God and for the testimony which they held, under that altar. Revelation 6:10, says: They cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" (See Revelation 6:9-11.) Then in Revelation 8:3-5, an angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at that altar. The smoke of the incense with the prayers of the saints ascended before God from the angel's hand. God hears the prayers of His saints, and He will avenge their blood.



"Then the sixth angel sounded: And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, 'Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.'

So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind.

Now the number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone.

By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed- by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which came out of their mouths.

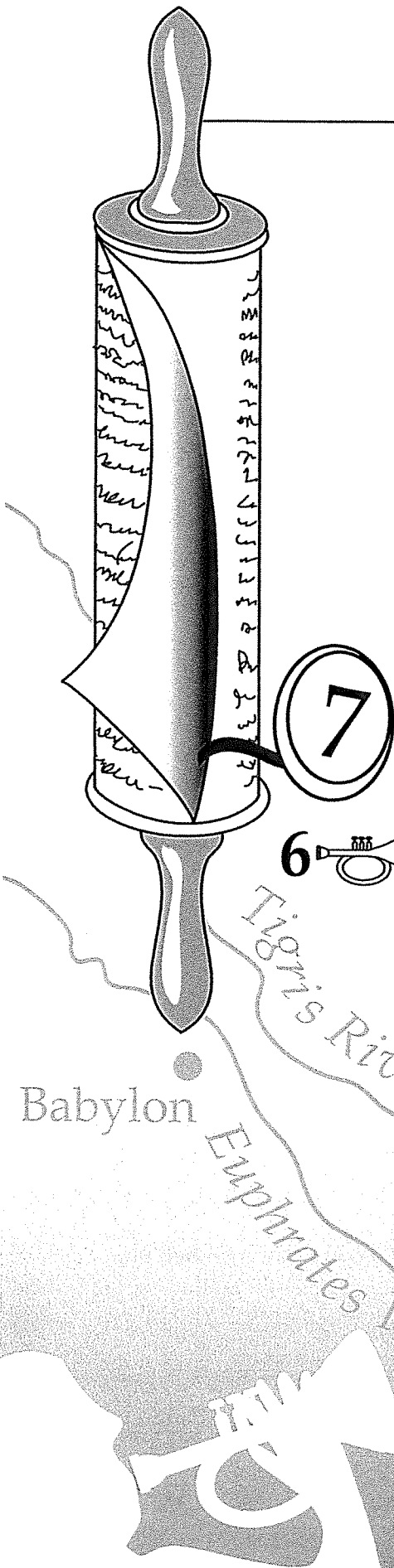
For their power is in their mouth and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents, having heads; and with them they do harm.

But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts." - Revelation 9:13-21

The four angels bound at the Euphrates River have been kept for this exact time. Through this army of two hundred million warriors, they carry out their orders to kill a third of all mankind. Jude 6-7, says: "And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day; as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire."

When God judged Sodom and Gomorrah, the Bible says; "Then the Lord rained brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah, from the Lord out of the heavens." - Genesis 19:24

The Garden of Eden was located near the Euphrates River (Genesis 2:14). Life began there, then death, through sin. The serpent enticed mankind to sin, and disobey the Lord. Jesus came to give us everlasting life, since sin separated us from the Lord. But though salvation is available, most in the world do not want to repent of their sins. God is long-suffering, but there will come a day when He will stop the evil and set up His kingdom. It was at Babylon, on the plain of Shinar that mankind built a city and a tower, desiring to make a name for themselves. It became the center for all false religion. God scattered the people, confused the languages, and the Babylonian false religion spread into all cultures, even to this day. False religion is faith in something other than the one true God. It is idolatry. False religion is demonic. So in His judgments upon the salvation-rejecting world, the Lord will use demons, whom the world has worshiped!



# The Revelation of Jesus Christ

## Chapter 9:13-21

### Discussion Questions

1. Read Rev. 9:13-14, what trumpet judgment is this?
2. Where did John hear the voice come from?
3. Who were under the altar? (Rev. 6:9)
4. What did the voice say to the sixth angel? (Rev. 9:14)
5. Read Rev. 9:15, notice the four angels were prepared for this time. God is in control of every detail of everything that happens. So much so, that these angels were set aside for this specific *hour*. Read Jude 6-7, does this speak of the same event?
6. Read Rev. 9:16, what is the number of the army?
7. Read Rev. 9:17, describe what John saw.
8. Read Rev. 9:18, how much more of mankind will be killed?
9. How many have died up to this time? (Rev. 6:8)
10. Read Rev. 9:18, what were the three plagues that caused one third of mankind to be killed?
11. Read Rev. 9:19, describe the beings that John saw.
12. Read Rev. 9:20-21, what were those who were not killed still doing?
13. Did any of the events up to this time cause them to turn from their ways and repent?

*Note: God is merciful and just, and even through all of these plagues and wars He gives mankind many opportunities to turn to Him. Remember, He is not slack concerning His promise, but is willing that ALL will come to repentance (2 Peter 3:9).*

### Memory Verse

"But when the wicked turns from his wickedness and does what is lawful and right, he shall live because of it."

Ezekiel 33:19 (NKJV)