

Introduction of prophetic events

- Revelation 1 The revelation of Jesus Christ that God gave Him.
- Revelation 6 Jesus Christ begins to open the seals.
- The first 6 seals are in this chapter.
- Revelation 7 onwards The events of the seventh and last seal (the *Day of the Lord*).
- Once the seals are open they stay open.
- Symbolic that these events will continue until Christ's coming.
- False religion, wars, famine and death will continue until the coming of Christ – These are parallel running events.

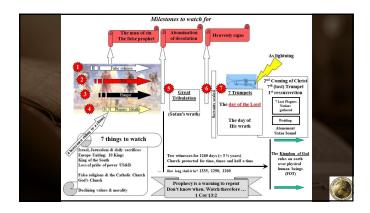
Rev 6:7-8 - The Fourth Seal

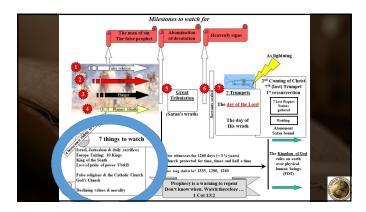
THE PALE HORSE

- Death and Hades. The final outcome is mass burials everywhere.
 Mat 24:78 . . . pestilences, and earthquakes [Gr. 4578 seismos], in various places.
- The implication may be:
 (i) disease-hosting animals, such as mice or even microscopic pathological agents;
 (ii) earthquakes, climate change, storms, hurricanes, tsunamis, etc.
- Result: Death and grave.
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 Horses ride (the seals proceed) in parallel.
 Although there is a sequence of seals, it does not mean that (for instance) ... the first one happens (false religion) and then stops, ... being followed shortly after by wars (the second seal), and then stops, etc. The seals continue in parallel until the coming of Christ.

 Rev 6:8 Power was given to THEM To these seals, and by the beasts of the Earth: Killing a quarter of the world's population Could this be a cumulative result?







Seven things to watch for
Israel, Jerusalem & daily sacrifice
 Zech 12:3, 6-9 – The Jewish nation has to exist Mat 24:15 – Abomination of desolation
• Europe Uniting – Dan 2, 7, 8, 13
• King of the South – Dan 11:40
Loss of pride of power of US&B
• Lev 26's five waves? ① V. 16; ② V. 18-19; ③ V. 21; ④ V. 24-25; ⑤ V. 28-33
 False religion & the Catholic Church – 2 Thes 2:3-5
• God's Church – Mat 24:14
 Declining Moral values & morality – 2 Tim 3:1-5; Luke 17:28-30
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Rev 6:9-11 - The Fifth Seal

THE GREAT TRIBULATION

A metaphor about the saints who suffered martyrdom and died in the past. They are asking when the Judgment will be.

- The answer is that they must remain dead until there are more brethren who will also suffer martyrdom as they did.
- This points to a Great Tribulation like never before (Mat 24:21-22;
- The deception will be so great, that if it were possible, it would deceive even the elect (Mat 24:23-24).
- Is it an implication that if we are not careful we could be deceived and miss out on our very calling and election? (Rev 3:11; Mat 25:1-13).



A warning BEFORE the Great Tribulation?

- Mat 24:15-20 A time to flee.
- Referring to the time of the destruction of the temple? (AD 70?)
- Also referring to the time of Christ's coming (Mat 24:21, 24, 27).
- 0 "I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world...
- Rev 12:13-14 "... that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent."
- Rev 12:14 "the woman was given two wings of a great eagle" (Ex 19:4; Deut 32:11-12).
 Psalm 27:5; 31:20; Zeph 2:3; Is 26:20.



A warning BEFORE the Great Tribulation?

- Mat 24:36-48 Therefore you also be ready ... Found so doing.
- Dan 12:12 Blessed is he who waits, and comes to the 1335 days.
- Will it be the end of the Work done by the Church era as an organization and executed as a team in this end time?
- Mat 24:15, Dan 11:31; 12:11 And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be 12:90 days.

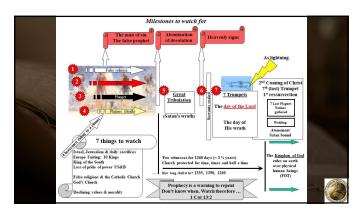
 Dan 12:1 At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, Such as never was since there was a nation, Even to that time.
- Dan 12:6-7 How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders be [of v 1-3]?
- .. that it shall be for a time, times, and half a time [3½ years = 1260 days]; [and] when the power of the holy people [Dan 8:24] has been completely shattered [or scattered] [Luke 21:20, 24], all these things shall be finished.



Between 1290 and 1260 is a month

- **Rev 12:13-17** A part of the woman is protected; the rest of the woman is left behind. And the ones left behind do "keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ" [Rev 19:10 the spirit of prophecy].
- What is the difference between one part of the woman and the other part? Mat 25:1-13 – The ten virgins – "watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming."

 Hosea 5:5-7 – Israel, Ephraim and Judah will be punished at the same time... in one month.
- Psalm 83:1-8 Will the king of the South temporarily join forces with Assyria?
 Who is the King of the South and who is the King of the North?
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 See the Bible Study Guide 'The Middle East in Bible Prophecy', p. 18, 'The Four Empires of Daniel's Prophecies': https://www.ucg.org/bible-study-tools/booklets/the-middle-east-in-bible-prophecy/the-four-empires-of-daniels-prophecies
 Dan 11:40-45 See p. 65 'The final king of the South'.



In parallel with the 5th seal

The Beast, the False Prophet and the two witnesses

- 2 Thes 2:1-12 The falling away (apostasy) and the man of sin.
 Amos 8:11 A famine of hearing the words of the Lord.
- Now, as the Work of the Church is stopped, does that mean that God will not have witnesses against the Beast and the false prophet?
- Rev 11:1-3 The two witnesses will prophesy for 42 months, which is exactly 1260 days.



