

## **Revelation 6:1-17**

### **Six Seals of Judgment**

#### **Introduction:**

Here in this chapter we see unfolded before our eyes a grim picture of false Christ's, bloody conquest, famine, pestilence and earthquakes which are not particularly new when it comes to apocalypse writings in the Bible, which are well known and rooted in the Old Testament. In fact you might wonder why John wept at the prospect of such well known contents. But there is something new here, it involves the church and it's suffering for the cause of Christ and His gospel. There is the newness of the ultimate where before famine, pestilence and troubles came and then later dissipated. But here it is entirely cataclysmic there is a complete shaking of the heavens and the earth, a complete renovation of the universe. But before all this takes place the church will be caught up in the clouds with Christ and then He pours out His wrath upon the wicked. Psalm 2:4-6

#### **I. Four Colored Horses – v.1-8**

- A. White Horse – 1-3, Who is the rider?**
- B. Red Horse – 4-5, Wars and rumors of wars, Job 39:19-25**
- C. Black Horse – v.5-6, Economic troubles, Matt. 20:2; John 6;27**
- D. Pale Horse – v.7-8, Death and the grave – Ps. 31:17; 49:14**

#### **II. Martyrs of the Faith – v.9-11**

- A. Christians slain – Matt. 10:28**
  - 1. Hugh Latimer – arrested, tried and burned to the stake
- B. White Robes – v.11**
  - 1. Imputed righteousness of Christ
  - 2. Little while longer – The final number of the elect of God

#### **III. Final Judgment – v.12-17**

- A. The sixth seal is open – It comes at the brink of the Second Coming of Christ**
  - 1. Heaven and earth rolled up like a scroll – Isaiah 34:4
  - 2. Renovation – II Peter 3:7, 10-13; Joel 2:10-11; 30-31; Zeph. 1:14-18; Haggai 2:6-7; Matt. 24:29-31
- B. Ultimate earthquake:**
  - 1. What is the point of these interventions?
  - 2. Who will be affected by these heavenly judgments upon mankind?
  - 3. What do all these statuses have in common? – II Thess. 1:6-10
- C. Complete Pandemonium**
  - 1. No place to hide
  - 2. Let us warn our friends, neighbors and associates to flee the wrath to come today through the gospel – Matt. 3:7