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The Seven Seals of the Lamb
6: 1-17

There is a parallel between **Christ's** prophecies while speaking privately to **His** apostles on the Mount of Olives in **Matthew 24** and the six seal judgments in **Revelation 6**. **The first seal** was opened revealing a **rider** on **a white horse**, who **held a bow and who rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest**. **The Lord Jesus** will come on a white horse, but this is not **He**, but a counterfeit **Messiah**, or **the antichrist**, who will establish a temporary peace. What is the first prophecy of **Matthew 24**? **Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, "I am the Christ," and will deceive many (Matthew 24:4b-5).**

The second seal was opened revealing **a man** on **a red horse** with **a large sword**, who will **take peace from the earth.** The second prophecy given by our **Lord** was that there will be **wars and rumors of wars . . . nation will rise up against nation, and kingdom against kingdom (Matthew 24:6-7a).**

The third seal was opened revealing a **rider** on **a black horse**, who **was holding a pair of scales in his hand**, and **a voice among the four living creatures** pointed to famine. And the third prophecy on the Mount of Olives made by **Yeshua Messiah** was that **there will be famines (Matthew 24:7b).**

The fourth seal was opened revealing one on **a pale horse**, the color of a corpse, **whose rider was named Death and Sh'ol. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by the sword, famine and plague.** Furthermore the fourth prophecy by **the Lord Jesus** tells of **famines and earthquakes in various places (Matthew 24:7b).** To see a short clip on the four horsemen click **here**.

The fifth seal has to do with **those who** were **slain because of the Word of God, who, under the altar**, cry out: **How long, Sovereign Ruler, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?** What is the fifth prophecy by **Messiah**? **Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death (Matthew 24:9).**

The sixth seal described **the earth** in its **death** throws where **the sun turned black, the moon turned blood red, stars fell and the sky receded like a scroll.** Then another prophecy given by our **Lord** was that **the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken (Matthew 24:29). Six** of **the seven seals** are broken in this chapter; the scroll itself is opened when **the seventh seal** itself is broken in **8:1**.

The scene now shifts to **the earth**. Taken as a whole, **Chapter 6** is one of the most pivotal chapters in the entire book. It describes the first **six seals** and also introduces **the seventh seal** that consists of, and introduces, **the seven trumpet judgments** of the wrath of **God**. It should put to rest the false teaching that **Jesus Christ**, being a **God** of love, could not judge a wicked world.[192]

*Dear Heavenly **Father**, Praise **Your** love and holiness! Being loved is wonderful, but we also must remember that **Your** love is wrapped in your perfect purity, in complete holiness. **You** cannot tolerate sin and so **You** gave an extremely costly offering when **You** gave **Your** own son to die as our sacrificial **lamb (John 1:29),** to pay the punishment for our sins so all who love and follow **You** could receive **Your** holy righteousness **(Second Corinthians 5:21)** thru which we are then able to enter **Your** holy heaven. Though the world loves to quote, **For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).** The whole truth of **God's** message needs to be listened to. **The one who believes in Him is not condemned; but whoever does not believe has been condemned already, because he has not put his trust in the name of the one and only Ben-Elohim. (John 3:18).** Both ideas of salvation and condemnation are in the same*

verse at the end of the chapter. ***He who trusts in the Son has eternal life. He who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him (John 3:36). O God****, your* ***wrath*** *is to be feared for your holiness demands that sin is punished* ***(Isaiah 53:5-6).*** *The pain of the Great Tribulation is because of man's sin, which you cannot tolerate. We bow in worship of* ***You*** *and ask that* ***You*** *open the hearts of our family and friends to choose to love and to follow you as their* ***Lord*** *and* ***Savior****. In* ***Your*** *holy* ***Son's*** *name and power of resurrection. Amen*