



THE BOOK OF REVELATION

THE SEAL JUDGMENTS

Introduction: In Chapter 6 of The Book of Revelation, the Apostle John, guided by divine inspiration, unveils the impending judgments of God that will be unleashed upon the earth. These judgments will come in three sets of seven, each more devastating than any that have ever befallen humanity. As Daniel 12:1 forewarns, this will be a time of unprecedented tribulation. In this lesson, we will delve into the first set of these judgments, known as The Seal Judgments.

THE FIRST SEAL OPENED (vs.1-2)

- **The Antichrist will be revealed (see Lesson 14).**

THE SECOND SEAL OPENED (vs 3-4)

- **A World-wide war will begin...**
 - Peace is taken from the earth.
 - Men will kill one another.
 - The Antichrist was given a “great sword.”

THE THIRD SEAL OPENED (vs 5-6)

- **The rider of the Black Horse will arrive holding a pair of balances (v 5).**
- **Wheat and barley will be sold for a penny (v 6).**

THE FOURTH SEAL OPENED (vs 7-8)

- **One fourth of the world’s population will die from...**
 - ...the sword.
 - ...hunger.
 - ...pestilence.
 - ...beasts of the earth.

THE FIFTH SEAL OPENED (vs 9-11)

- **Believers will be martyred.**
 - They will be slain for the Word of God (v 9; Dan. 7:25)
 - They will be slain for the testimony to which they hold (v 9).
 - They will cry out for justice (v 10).
 - They will be given white robes and rest (v 11).

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THE SIXTH SEAL OPENED (vs 12-17)

- A great earthquake will change the topography of the earth as mountains and islands will be moved out of their place (vs 12, 14).
- The stars of heaven will fall to earth (v 13).
 - **NOTE:** Men of great prominence and wealth are referred to as "stars"
- There will be universal fear (vs 16-17)
- There will be a universal understanding that the judgement is from God (v 17).

THE SEVENTH SEAL OPENED (Rev. 8:1)

- There will be silence in heaven.

Lesson Conclusion: The seven Seal Judgments will be a cataclysmic event, a time of God's righteous wrath unleashed upon the earth like never before. As the Apostle John warns us in John 4:35-36 and John 9:4, our time here is fleeting. These judgments are imminent, and we must be prepared, both spiritually and practically, for ourselves and our loved ones. Failure to do so will leave us stranded when the rapture occurs, facing the full force of God's wrath.