## **The Revelation of**

## Yeshua The Messiah To Yochanan (John)

## **Study Notes**

## Chapter 6 PT. 2: The Seven Seals Opened – Seals 3 & 4

# Revelation 6:5-8 (NASB)

# **The Third Seal: Famine**

"5 When He broke **the third seal**, I heard the third living creature saying, 'Come!' I looked, and behold, **a black horse**, and the one who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. <sup>6</sup> And I heard *something* like a voice in the center of the four living creatures saying, 'A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not damage the oil and the wine.'

## The Fourth Seal: Death

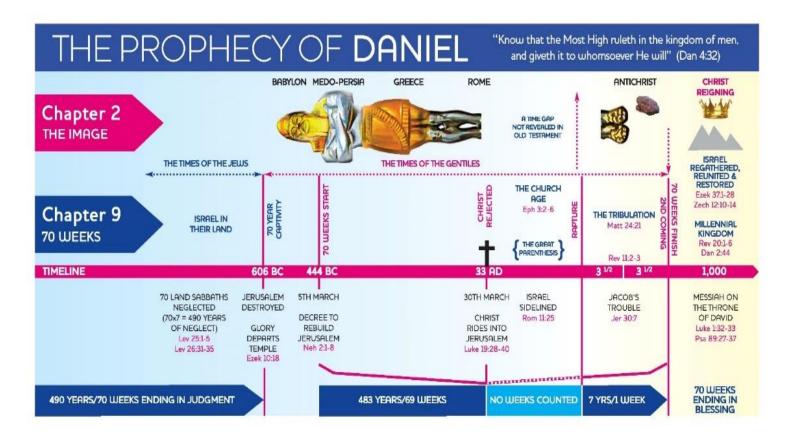
<sup>7</sup>When *the Lamb* broke **the fourth seal**, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, 'Come!' <sup>8</sup>I looked, and behold, <u>an ashen horse</u>; and the one who sat on it had the name Death, and Hades was following with him. Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, and famine, and plague, and by the wild animals of the earth."

#### **Review:**

Let's take a quick review of the prior two horses.

- White Horse Judgment-Antichrist:
  - o He carries a bow, but no arrows representing a false peace.
- The Red Horse Judgment- War:
  - He takes the peace out of the earth exposing who the Antichrist truly is serving.

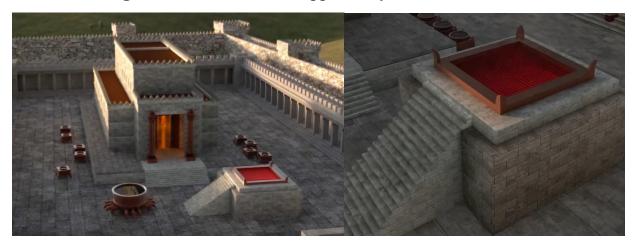
The Last Week (7 Years of the 7 weeks) - Seventy Weeks and the Messiah:



First 3 ½ Years: A key sign that the Tribulation has started.

**Daniel 9:27 (NASB)** – "And he will confirm a covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come the one who makes desolate, until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, gushes forth on the one who makes desolate."

**Understanding:** For sacrifices to be stopped, they would have had to start.



- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple Which is actually the rebuilding of the original Temple of King Solomon completed in 957 BC.
  - o The First Temple was built in 1000 BC by King Solomon after King David conquered Jerusalem and made it his capital. The Temple was destroyed in 586 BC by Nebuchadnezzar, the King of Babylon, when he conquered Jerusalem.
  - The beginning of the Second Temple period (586 BC-AD 70) is marked by the return of Jews to Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon in 538 BC. They were allowed to return under an edict issued by Cyrus King of Persia. By 515 BC, the reinstated Jewish residents had completed building the Second Temple.
  - During the Roman period, in AD 70, the Second Temple was destroyed, along with Jerusalem, by Titus' army.

**Amos 9:14-15 (NASB)** - "<sup>14</sup> 'I will also restore the fortunes of My people Israel, And they will rebuild the desolated cities and live *in them*; They will also plant vineyards and drink their wine, And make gardens and eat their fruit. <sup>15</sup> I will also plant them on their land, And they will not be uprooted again from their land Which I have given them,' Says the LORD your God."

**Note:** At midnight on May 14, 1948, the Provisional Government of Israel proclaimed a new State of Israel.

• This event was a significant prophetic marker and sign of the soon and coming return of King Jesus.

# The Third Temple: The Red Heifers

- All that is needed to rebuild is ready **except** the ashes of a red heifer.
- The *ashes* of a red heifer were needed (Numbers 19). Because red heifer ashes were necessary for the purification rites held at the temple, many have regarded the appearance of a red heifer today as heralding the construction of the third temple and the return of Christ.



**Key:** In September 2022, a Christian farmer in Texas raised and shipped five unblemished red heifers, delivered to the Temple Institute in Jerusalem. The heifers were inspected and approved by Jewish rabbis.

- On March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Israel365News covered the naming of the 5 Red Heifers at an event in Israel.
- They bestowed names on the two-year-old cows: Tikva (hope), Geula (redemption), Techiya (life-giving), Nechama (comfort), and Segula (virtue).

**Note:** Sadly, while the Church at large is not paying any attention to what is happening in Israel, the Enemy is!

Hamas spokesman Abu Ubaida began gave a speech marking the 100th day of the war in Gaza, listing the motives for the Palestinian militant group's October 7<sup>th</sup> massacre in Israel, he accused Jews of "bringing red cows" to the Holy Land.

**Key:** This is ALL about God's covenant with Israel and Yeshua coming back to the New Jerusalem to judge sin.

#### **Review:**

**Revelation 6:4** - "A Great Sword Was Given To Him"

**Understanding**: Remember, this sword was given to the second living creature after Jesus broke the second seal. This is the same word for "sword" used in **Ephesians 6:17**.

**Ephesians 6:17 (NASB)** – "And take the helmet of salvation and the **sword** of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

**Sword-(Greek)-***machaira-*a large knife used to kill or cut flesh.

**Remember:** The Living Creatures only respond to God's words.

The Olivet Discourse/Little Apocalypse: Matthew 24 (Teaching Of Jesus In the Bible On the Mount of Olives)

• Jesus already gave us insight into the apocalypse in this scripture.

# Verses 5-6: The 3<sup>rd</sup> Seal

Come-(Greek)-erchomai-a verb meaning also to go or go forth and get it done.

See-(Greek)-blepo-to see, discern, of the bodily eye.

The Olivet Discourse/Little Apocalypse: Matthew 24 (Teaching Of Jesus In the Bible On the Mount of Olives)

Matthew 24:7 (NASB) – "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places."

## The Black Horse: Famine/Economic Devastation



**Revelation 6:5-6 (NASB)** – "<sup>5</sup>When He broke the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, 'Come!' I looked, and behold, a black horse, and the one

who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. <sup>6</sup>And I heard *something* like a voice in the center of the four living creatures saying, 'A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not damage the oil and the wine."

### "A Pair Of Balances"



**Understanding:** Balance scales represent impartiality and the obligation of the law (through its representatives) to weigh the evidence presented to the court. Each side of a legal case needs to be looked at, and comparisons made as justice is done.

• Because He is a just God, He judges in Righteousness – listening to both sides: the case of the accuser and examining what the Blood of Jesus has done for us on our behalf!

**Note:** This devastation will be greater than the world has ever seen. This will create worldwide devastation to:

- Finances
- o Food
- o Fuel
- o All other life sustaining resources.

**Revelation 6:6 (CJB)** – "I heard what sounded like <u>a voice from among</u> the four living beings say, 'Two pounds of wheat for a day's wages! Six pounds of barley for the same price! But don't damage the oil or the wine!""

**Understanding:** God Himself speaks here! **Only** the Righteous Judge can speak this judgement. This is the Wrath of God!

**Note:** This is God's way of judging. He did this with Belshazzar in **Daniel 5:25-27.** It is the original "Writing on the Wall"! He is unchanging!

Daniel 5:25-27 (NASB) - "25Now this is the inscription that was written:

'MENĒ, MENĒ, TEKĒL, UPHARSIN.'

<sup>26</sup> This is the interpretation of the message: 'MENĒ'—God has numbered your kingdom and put an end to it. <sup>27</sup> 'TEKĒL'—you have been weighed on the scales and found deficient. <sup>28</sup> "PERĒS'—your kingdom has been divided and given to the Medes and Persians."

• "I am still judging righteously. I am weighing your acts on the balance." – When He weighs us in the balance, may we not be found wanting. The only thing that would be missing is Jesus Himself, which would not allow us to get into the Eternal Kingdom. Accept Him into your life today!

**Understanding:** A denarius is the Biblical equivalent to saying a fair wage for a full day's wages. During the time of Tribulation, it will take a full day's wages just to feed one person.

**Note:** Based upon research studies, it costs a family of four, at a low-end budget, an estimated \$611.00/month to feed a family healthy foods.

# "Don't Damage the Oil or the Wine"

**Key:** In biblical times the oil and wine were the top luxury items.

- This judgment will exempt the rich.
- The average person will not be able to afford items that were once viewed as obtainable to all.
- The great divide between the rich and the poor will be easily seen.
- There will be no middle class as we know it.

# Verses 7-8: The 4<sup>th</sup> Seal

### The Pale Horse/Pallid/Ashen: The Name of Death & Hades Follows



**Death-(Greek)**-*thanatos*- that separation (whether natural or violent) of the soul and the body by which the life on earth is ended.

Hades-(Greek)-hades-the abode of departed spirits.

• In case the saints of God pass away, they will not go to Hell but Hades where they will await judgement. This is His great mercy to ensure not one soul of His is taken away!

**Note:** This death will surpass **all** of the previous wars combined. One fourth of the world's population will be destroyed in a matter of days.

**Understanding:** Pray that in Gods sufficient Grace we have been taken out of this earth.

Knowing these things, we MUST take the opportunity to witness to those around us. In God's grace, everyone will hear about Him before He returns. Let there be no blood on your hands. He did not birth the church for us, but to be fruitful and multiply. However, we cannot multiply what we do not know. Take the time to learn of Him. Even the disciples of Jesus had to take 3 ½ years to learn of Him. We must have our minds renewed through the Word, or we will remain in a carnal mindset opposite of the Word of God. We only grow into maturity through this process. Discipleship is available to you. Judgement is coming. Choose this day who you will serve (Joshua 25:15). If He pulls out balances and He weighs your life, is Jesus in it? Has He taken full control? Have you fully surrendered to the Master? Have you said "Jesus, come into my heart. Forgive me of my sins. I surrender my life to you"? If you have not said it, say it now. For when He pulls out the scales, He is a just God. Do not let Him find you wanting.

#### The End