

The Revelation of
Yeshua The Messiah To Yochanan (John)

Study Notes

Chapter 6 PT. 3: The Seven Seals Opened – Seals 5 & 6

Revelation 6:9-17 (NASB)

The Fifth Seal: Martyrs

“⁹ When *the Lamb* broke **the fifth seal**, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been killed because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained; ¹⁰ and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, ‘How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who live on the earth?’ ¹¹ And a white robe was given to each of them; and they were told that they were to rest for a little while longer, until *the number of their fellow servants and their brothers and sisters* who were to be killed even as they *had been*, was completed also.

The Sixth Seal: Terror

¹² And I looked when He broke the **sixth seal**, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became as black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood; ¹³ and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. ¹⁴ The sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. ¹⁵ Then the kings of the earth and the eminent people, and the commanders and the wealthy and the strong, and every slave and free person hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; ¹⁶ and they *said to the mountains and the rocks, ‘Fall on us and hide us from the sight of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; ¹⁷ for the great day of Their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?’”

Review:

Revelation 6, the Third Seal brings the Third Horseman which is Famine, and the Fourth Seal releases the Fourth Horseman which is Death. Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth.

Understanding: The current population of the earth as of 2024 is estimated to be at 8.2 Billion People. ¼ of 8.2 Billion is 2 Billion, 50 Million people that will be dead when this rider is done. Death by famine, plague, and animals.

“Wild Animals” – It is believed that because of fierce hunger the entirety of all eco systems gets turned upside down and the animals will seek out humans to eat.

- When you do not take dominion, they take dominion over you (Genesis 1:26).

The 5th Seal: Martyrs

The Olivet Discourse: Jesus warned His Disciples of the Tribulation to come.

Matthew 24:9-13 (NASB) - “⁹Then they will hand you over to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name. ¹⁰ And at that time many will fall away, and they will betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹ And many false prophets will rise up and mislead many people. ¹² And because lawlessness is increased, most people’s love will become cold. ¹³ But the one who endures to the end is the one who will be saved.”

- Jesus’s **name** is what they hate, **not** the inclusive title of “God”.

Verse 9

Revelation 6:9 (NASB) - “I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had **been killed** because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained;”



Note: These are the Believers from all over the world since the beginning of time that were truly martyred.

Martyred-(Greek)-*martus*-one who bears witness of the truth and suffers death in the cause of Christ.

Key: In this sense Stephen was the first martyr. The Greek word so rendered in all other cases is translated "witness." This is where Stephen is!



Acts 7:55-60 (NASB) – “⁵⁵But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, looked intently into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God; ⁵⁶and he said, ‘Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.’ ⁵⁷But they shouted with loud voices, and covered their ears and rushed at him with one mind. ⁵⁸When they had driven him out of the city, they *began stoning him*; and the witnesses laid aside their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹They *went on* stoning Stephen as he called on *the Lord* and said, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!’ ⁶⁰Then he fell on his knees and cried out with a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them!’ Having said this, he fell asleep.”

- This is someone that you could never get to change their witness.
- This is someone that would gladly die for their witness.

Note: The Martyrs were given their White Robes representing Holiness and Garments of Righteousness. But they cried out to the Lord in verse 10, “How Long”?

What Are They Having to Wait For?

Verse 11

Answer: They were instructed in verse 11 to “rest for a little while longer, until *the number of* their fellow servants and their brothers *and sisters* **who were to be killed** even as they *had been*, was completed also”.

- Father in his great mercy is giving people more time to hear the witness of Jesus and to be saved.
- Father desires is that none would perish, but all men would be saved.
- There will be a vast number of people that get saved during the Tribulation time.
- Your witness now may be all they have to hold on to when the Tribulation begins.
 - The urgency for your witness is now needed more than it has ever been. We have been given the power of Holy Spirit to be so to all the nations (Acts 1:8). Repent if you have been ineffective!

The 6th Seal: Terror



Matthew 24:29 (NASB) - “But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.”

Key: This is the destruction of Nature Itself! **PAY ATTENTION TO “LIKE.”**

Note: The Apostle John is trying to explain what he is seeing, which he has never seen before. He can only try to compare it to things that he knows.

Verse 12

“A Great Earthquake”

Earthquake-(Greek)-*seismos*- a shaking, a commotion. A tempest.

Seismology- Defined as a science that deals with earthquakes **and** with artificially produced vibrations of the earth.

Understanding: This **does not** necessarily mean that this is caused by the shifting of tectonic plates.

- There could be multiple reasons why the earth shakes.
- A Meteor/Asteroid or a nuclear explosions that is so great that the Earth shakes.
- This is worldwide devastation.

“Sun Black As Sackcloth Made with Hair”



- The sun will lose its shape.
- Instead of bright sun rays, it would appear like black hair coming off sack cloth.

“The Moon Became As Blood”

Note: The last total lunar eclipse occurred on Nov. 8, 2022, producing a striking "Beaver Blood Moon". This was the last blood moon until March 13-14, 2025.



Understanding: the Moon turns red because the only sunlight reaching the Moon passes through Earth's atmosphere. The more dust or clouds in Earth's atmosphere during the eclipse, the redder the Moon will appear.

Verse 13

“Stars Of The Sky Fell To The Earth”

Key: A falling star (Shooting Star) is what scientist calls a “Meteor.” If any part of the meteoroid survives burning up in the atmosphere and hits the earth is called a meteorite.

The Barrington Crater- The object that excavated the crater was a nickel-iron meteorite about 160 ft (50 m) across. The speed of the impact has been a subject of some debate. Research suggests the impact was substantially slower, at

“low” 29,000 mph (12.8 km/s). The meteorite was mostly vaporized upon impact, leaving few remains in the crater.



- The Meteors will be falling from the sky in large numbers.
- They will fall from the sky just as easily as a strong wind blowing figs off a fig tree.

Verse 14

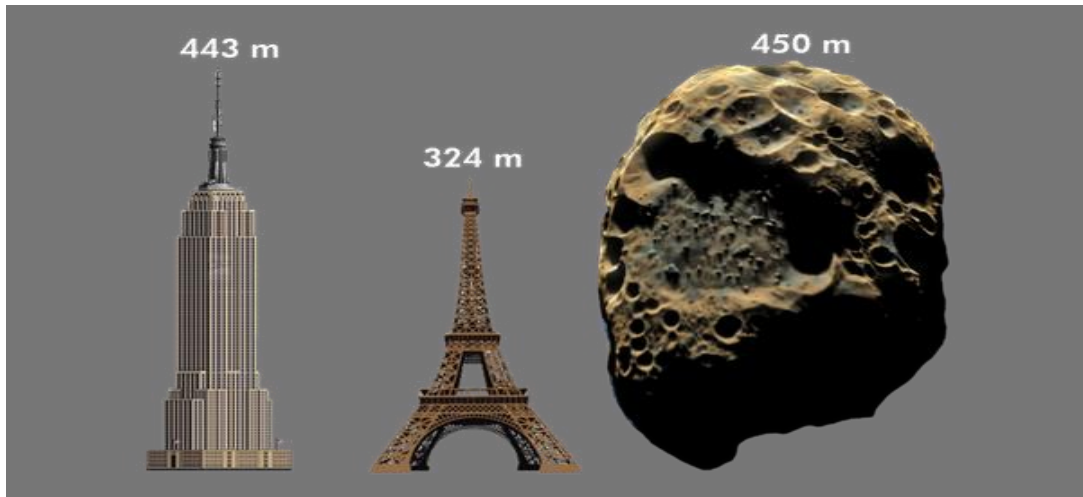
Revelation 6:14 (NASB) – “The sky was split apart *like a* scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.”

- This is John’s description of how the atmosphere splits due to the magnitude of the pressure formed by the meteor hurling towards Earth.

Question: What Can Cause A Blast This Great?

Answer: An Asteroid

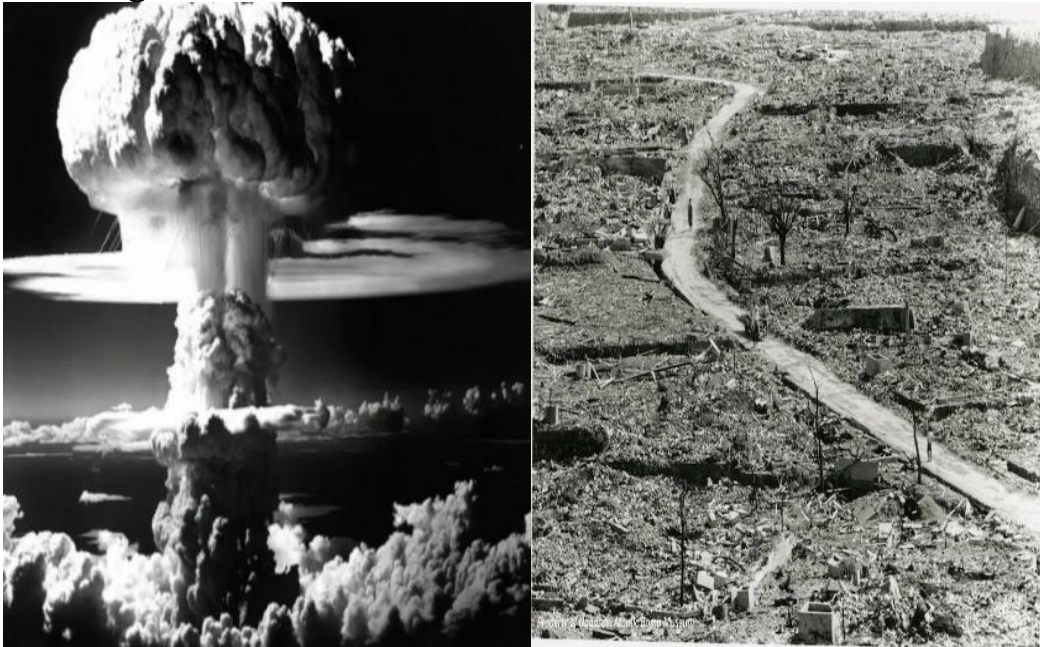
Apophis- The asteroid Apophis will be as bright as a satellite as it passes through our skies on April 13, 2029, visible to billions of naked-eye observers across parts of Europe, Africa, Australia, and South America and watched closely before and after its encounter by astronomers around the world.



- Radar images have shown it measures 450 meters (1500 feet) across its longest axis, equivalent to about five football fields and taller than the Empire State Building in New York City.
- Dust and debris: The dust and debris thrown into the atmosphere could lead to a "nuclear winter".
- Energy: The energy released would be equivalent to hundreds of megatons of TNT, or tens to hundreds of nuclear weapons. This is more than 23,000 times the energy released in the Hiroshima atomic bomb explosion.

Note: Many believe this will be from Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles (ICBMs) Today, these kinds of weapons still exist in modern arsenals that include nuclear weapons 80 times more powerful compared with the bomb detonated over Hiroshima, and they have more accurate and survivable delivery systems (missiles, not just bombers) that can fly faster than the speed of sound.

Hiroshima/Nagasaki Atomic Bomb



Verse 15-17: “No Where To Hide”

Revelation 6:15-17 (NASB) – “¹⁵ Then the kings of the earth and the eminent people, and the commanders and the wealthy and the strong, and every slave and free person hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; ¹⁶ and they said to the mountains and the rocks, ‘Fall on us and hide us from the sight of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; ¹⁷ for the great day of Their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?’”

- These are people still trying to hang on to the things of this world, thinking that they can escape the wrath of God! In His sovereignty, He will not allow them to escape judgement, unless He allows it!
- They knew God, but still preferred the world - your preference is dangerous!

- Question: “Lord, what does it take for Your church to be your church like in the book of Acts?”.
- Answer: “That tight place of trials, and tribulations, & persecutions. It must happen as this is the only way that My church will pray.”

We MUST pray, for the effectual fervent prayers of the righteous availeth much (James 5:16)! We do not have time left to play. No more fear, no more timidity. God did not give us that. Pray for a Spirit of boldness in being an effective witness. Your witness is the only thing they will have in the last days. God will get the increase. Plant the seed. Give them the truth, for the truth will set them free. No more compromise and carnality!

The End