THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Week 8 – Revelation 6:1-2 – The Seals are Loosed; The Rider on the White Horse March 14, 2017

REVELATION 6:1-2

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DANIEL 9:26-27

And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood,

And till the end of the war desolations are determined.

²⁷ Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the week he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate."

We know that Daniel 9:24-27 is the BACKBONE of end time prophecy – it is the chief support/foundation/mainstay of all end time prophecy. We need to read all end time prophecy with Dan. 9:24-27 as the template. In Dan. 9:24 we read that the timeframe that God is laying out is concerning Daniel's people (the Jewish people) and for Daniel's holy city (Jerusalem).

And, so we are seeing in Revelation 6 what John saw in the throne room of God... *Now I saw*

The chapter break between Rev. 5 and Rev. 6 is unfortunate. In the original manuscript there were no chapter breaks. As Rev. 5:14 flows into Rev. 6:1, we need to connect the exaltation of the Lamb and His unique worthiness, having redeemed us, to His opening the scroll sealed with seven seals. And that scroll is...what I'm suggesting...the title deed to the EARTH. Revelation unveils the culmination of God's plan of redemption:

- The redeeming of man (those who come to faith in Jesus Who is Almighty God!)
- Redemption of the earth
- Ultimately...RESTORATION!

The worship and praise is a precursor to the judgment which follows which John will also behold. Thus we see, once again, the glory of God in salvation through judgment. And, the Lamb begins to open the seals on the scroll.

when the Lamb opened

The Lamb opens the first seal and HE initiates the steps which will lead to His global rule on earth – leading to ultimate RESTORATION. None of the judgments about to take place transpire until the Lamb opens the first seal. "The day of the Lord" speaks to judgment: near judgment (i.e. in the time of Joel) which looks ahead to future judgment. Many Bible scholars believe that the future judgment begins with the Tribulation. "The

day of the Lord" is a period of time during which God personally intervenes in history, directly or indirectly, to accomplish some specific aspect of His plan.

Regarding mankind...

Rom. 1:21-24 - because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²² Professing to be wise, they became fools, ²³ and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things. ²⁴ Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness,

Rom. 1:26 - ... *God gave them up to vile passions*.

Rom. 1:28 - ... God gave them over to a debased mind,

BUT...

<u>John 3:16</u> - God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

In all we see...THE GLORY OF GOD IN SALVATION THROUGH JUDGMENT! And so we move on to Rev. 6 with holding on to this truth!

We have seen judgments from God throughout the Bible:

God judged Adam and Eve and man is now a sinner by nature, by birth, by choice (Gen. 3).

God judged the world in Noah's day and sent a universal flood to destroy mankind, yet saving 8 people (Gen. 6-8).

God judged Sodom and Gomorrah, engulfing those cities in hail, fire, and brimstone (Gen. 18-19).

God judged Israel's Egyptian taskmasters as He foretold He would (Gen. 15:14 - *And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions*) unleashing upon them the terrors of the ten plagues (Ex. 7-12).

God judged those who worshipped the golden calf, using the Levites as the executioners (Ex. 32.26-35).

God judged Nadab and Abihu, sons of Aaron, the High Priest (Moses' brother) for offering Him strange fire (Lev. 10:1ff).

God judged Korah, Dathan, and Abiram who were swallowed up by the earth (Num. 16).

God judged Achan for sacrilegious thieving (Josh. 7)

God judged Israel for unfaithfulness to Him after their entry into Canaan, causing them to fall under the dominion of other nations (Judg. 2:11ff; Judg. 3:5ff; Judg. 4:1ff).

At the cross Jesus took our judgment. For believers in Jesus there is no condemnation (Rom. 8:1). Our sins have been judged. Yet, throughout the NT we find Christians who were afflicted with serious illness and even premature death in response to their disobedience (I Cor. 11:29-32 [eating & drinking in an unworthy manner – I Cor. 11:20-21 - at the communion table; weak, sick, and some sleep]; I John 5:16; James 5:19-20). Believers in Jesus will one day stand before the judgment seat of Christ (I Cor. 3:12-

15; II Cor. 5:10) – re: our works (incl. motivation) after our salvation. As believers our sin was judged at the cross.

Unbelievers will be judged at the Great White Throne (Rev. 20:11-15). Throughout these judgments, we are seeing God's holiness and justice on display. And, some don't like it! When we come to the book of Revelation, we are seeing GOD vindicated! God is proving – for all time - Who HE is – in pouring out His judgment upon a sinful, rebellious world! THIS is how we need to understand the book of Revelation!

NOTE: what is about to transpire on the earth as recorded in Rev. 6 and following, is completely unique.

- <u>SEVERITY</u> the judgments are more severe than any previously experienced in history.
- o <u>Jer. 30:7</u> Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; and it is the time of Jacob's trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.
- This "time" is specifically noted as referring to a specific people group Israel (Jacob's name was changed to Israel [Gen. 32:22-32]). Cross reference: Daniel 9:24. God carved out a determined amount of years for Daniel's people (the Jewish people) and for the holy city (Jerusalem).
- <u>Dan. 12:1</u> At that time Michael shall stand up, the great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people; and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, even to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, every one who is found written in the book. Daniel's people the Jewish people. The nation referenced Israel.
- o Rev. 3:10 Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.
- Note that these judgments are labeled specifically as the hour of trial coming upon the whole world for the purpose of testing those who dwell on the earth. We discussed last term that "those who dwell on the earth" are non-believers. Who will be kept from this hour of trial? True believers in Jesus from the Church Age. They are clearly identified as those who are persecuting and killing believers during the tribulation (Rev. 6:10). Many of the judgments of the tribulation are targeted for the "earth dwellers" (Rev. 8:13). It is the "earth dwellers" who rejoice and send gifts to one another when the two witnesses are killed in Jerusalem during the middle of the tribulation (Rev. 11:10). When the Beast (Antichrist) is introduced in Revelation 13, it is noted that, "all who dwell on the earth will worship him" (Rev. 13:8, 12). Thus, 100% of the "earth dwellers" receive the mark of the beast and will spend eternity in the Lake of Fire. During the Tribulation, as followers of the Beast, the "earth dwellers" will be deceived by the false signs and wonders of the Beast and will erect an image of the Beast, likely in the Jewish Temple (Rev. 13:14). While the target of the preaching of the gospel by an angelic messenger will be "earth dwellers" (Rev. 14:6), not a single one of the will follow the Lamb, instead they will wonder after the Beast (Rev. 17:8).

<u>WRATH OF THE LAMB</u> - In Scripture we read of God the Father's wrath upon nations (See Isaiah; note specifically <u>Isa. 34</u> – v. 2 For the LORD's indignation is against all the

nations). In Revelation we see the wrath of the Lamb (Rev. 6:16). It is the Lamb Who breaks the seals. <u>John 5:22</u> – God has committed all judgment to the Son (<u>Psa. 2:12</u> – Kiss the Son lest He be angry with you and you perish in the way. <u>Acts 4:12</u> – there is no other name under heaven.... <u>Jn. 14:6</u> – I am the way, the truth, and the life.)

USHERING IN GOD'S KINGDOM ON EARTH

The wrath that we see in Revelation is the sweeping away of the systems of man, including the kingdoms of the nations as noted in Daniel 2 (Babylon, Persia, Greece, Rome, and the antichrist's kingdom) to make way for the promised Messianic Kingdom (Dan. 2:36-45; note esp. vv. 44-45 – the Kingdom of God breaking in pieces and consuming the past kingdoms set up by man). Cosmos – the world system. Who is the ruler of this world system? The adversary – Jn. 12:31; II Cor. 4:4; Eph. 2:2.

As we move toward the chapters in Revelation concerning the Tribulation, notice that there are similarities between the establishment of God setting up the nation of Israel at Sinai, following the plagues of Egypt and that which will transpire during the Tribulation.

<u>Literal plagues</u> – in the same way that the plagues of Egypt were literal, so the plagues of the Tribulation period will be as well.

Testing the unrepentant – in the same way that the Pharaoh of the Exodus refused to repent beginning with his statement in Ex. 5:2 - And Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD, that I should obey His voice to let Israel go? I do not know the LORD, nor will I let Israel go" and moving through Ex. 7:13, 23; Ex. 8:15, 19, 22; Ex. 9:34), the earth dwellers during the Tribulation will refuse to repent (Rev. 2:21; Rev. 6:16-17; Rev. 9:20; Rev. 16:9, 11, 21). The plagues test the opponents of God demonstrating the make-up of those left on the earth (Rev. 3:10). God gains glory in the events of the judgment of Egypt (Ex. 7:3; Ex. 9:16; Ex. 11:9; Rom. 9:17-22). HOW? Pharaoh's heart was already hardened (Ex. 5:2). God raised up Pharaoh to show God's power and so that God's wonders might be multiplied.

And we see God's glory shines forth in Rev. 21 and Rev. 22.

Establishing a Kingdom – the plagues of Egypt resulted in the decimation of Egypt and the birth of the nation of Israel at Mt. Sinai (laws given to this new people). We read of the song of Moses in Ex. 15 which is a song of victory. The plagues of the Tribulation result in the overthrow of the system of antichrist and usher in the Millennial Kingdom, establishing the reign of God on earth. We read of the song of Moses and of the Lamb, an ultimate victory song, in Rev. 15:1-4.

Everything that transpires from Revelation 6 is completely within the control of God. It is the Lamb Who initiates these events. There is no judgment, famine, or plague of demons which does not ultimately serve God's purpose in what unfolds. Do you believe that? Are you struggling with this? Does it sound as if the enemy is winning? CONSIDER:

God could have banished Lucifer, at his fall, to another planet or sent him directly to the lake of fire. Either of those plans or any other that God would choose would be right and just. BUT GOD kept Satan in this world for one reason: for God's glory! Satan

had to play a part in the drama on planet Earth. And, he will play it according to God's rules and not his own. God must be rightly honored as almighty God, the ruler of heaven and earth. God created Lucifer before he became the devil. It was God who cursed the Serpent/Satan (Ha Satan – the accuser; the adversary). It was God Who predicted Satan's ultimate defeat and humiliation (Isa. 14:12-21). It was God Who allowed the devil to fight against Jesus. (NOTE: Matt. 4:1 - Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.)

AND, at the cross – did it appear that Satan won?!

It will be God Who will supervise the conflict to the very end. God has not abandoned His responsibility of being in charge of all of His creation.

We must also be reminded of Satan's limitations. Believers fight against Satan in faith. Eph. 6:10-12 - we are to be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. The more secure we are in the knowledge that the enemy is not autonomous (that is, capable of acting independently), the more faith will arise in our hearts. Scripture tells us that he IS a defeated foe (Heb. 2:14).

Seals being loosed correlates to Jesus' "Olivet Discourse" (Matt. 24):

Matt. 24:3 – the disciples came to Him privately as He sat on the Mt. of Olives..."Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"

- False messiahs (Matt. 24:5; Rev. 6:2)
- Wars (Matt. 24:6-7; Rev. 6:4)
- Famines (Matt. 24:7; Rev. 6:5-6, 8)
- Pestilences (Lk. 21:11; Rev. 6:8)
- Earthquakes (Matt. 24:7; Rev. 6:12)
- Persecution (Matt. 24:9; Rev. 6:9-11)
- Cosmic phenomena (Matt. 24:29; Rev. 6:12-14)

Concerning the judgment on earth during the Tribulation, we read of 7 seals, 7 trumpets, and 7 bowls. How do we understand the unfolding of these judgments? We need to know that the seven seals encompass the entire period of the Tribulation culminating with the return of Jesus. How does that work?

The seventh seal appears to contain the seven trumpets (Rev. 8:1-11:19) – the seven trumpets proceed from the seventh seal.

The seventh trumpet (Rev. 11:15) appears to contain the seven bowl judgments (Rev. 16:1-21) – the seven bowls proceed from the seventh trumpet.

Thus, the seven seals contain all the judgments to the end when Jesus returns.

Regarding the sign of Jesus coming and the end of the age, Jesus told His disciples... Matt. 24:4-8 - And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. ⁵ For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. ⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all

these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All these are the <u>beginning of sorrows</u>.

Beginning of sorrows has been translated as "birth pangs."

The Jewish "sages" speak of the signs of the last days as the Footsteps of the Messiah, which will be heard before His coming, Yeshua described those signs as The Beginning of Sorrows (i.e. birth pangs). "The idea became entrenched that the coming of the Messiah will be preceded by greatly increased suffering... This will last seven years. And then, unexpectedly, the Messiah will come." The Messiah Texts, Raphael Patai (not a believer in Jesus).

one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come...." It's thought that a voice like thunder refers to the volume of this voice. The most reliable Greek text omits and see following Come.. The most reliable Greek text tells us that the voice like thunder proclaims Come! Therefore, this is not a command to John. Why would a voice with such thundering power be directed at John? This appears to be a command issued by the living creature to the rider of the horse. Come appears to bring the rider on the horse forth in judgment.

"He" in Rev. 6:1-2

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- The first seal is broken by the Lamb by Jesus.
- A voice thunders "COME" ("and see" is NOT in the most accurate Greek manuscript). This voice is from one of the four living creatures.
- We first see a white horse. WHY white? What does white symbolize?
- "He" is the rider on the white horse. The first fact we see about this rider is that "he" has a bow only a bow.
- "He" has a crown that was given to him. What type of crown? Who gave him the crown?
- The activity of the rider on the white horse conquering.
- The mission of the rider on the white horse to conquer.

The *white horse* is the first of four horses of different colors. White typically represents righteousness.

While there are similarities between this rider and Jesus...

- Both riding a white horse indicating victory (Rev. 6:2; Rev. 19:11).
- Both wearing a crown (Rev. 6:2; Rev. 19:12). Jesus, however, wears multiple crowns.
- Both are seen as conquering the rider on the white horse is specifically noted as conquering in the process of. However, do we see him as one who has conquered? Jesus has overcome; He has conquered!

In Rev. 6:2 we note differences...

- In Rev. 6:2 we do NOT see the white horse which carries the One Who alone is Faithful and True in Rev. 19:11. The Lamb has loosed the first seal sending out this horse and horseman. If Jesus is the One Who is riding this white horse in Rev. 6:2, who is it that is in heaven opening the remaining seals?
- The rider in Rev. 6:2 carries a bow. Jesus' weapon is a sword (Rev. 2:12; Rev. 19:15).
- The rider in Rev. 6:2 is alone. Jesus is followed by the armies in heaven also riding on white horses (Rev. 19:14).
- The rider in Rev. 6:2 sets forth at the beginning of the Tribulation. Jesus rides forth at its end.

CONSIDER THIS: <u>tragically</u>, to an unsuspecting world, this rider looks like Messiah – the savior/political savior of the world. BUT this rider is a deceiver. He is the antichrist.

In Rev. 6:2 we have the documented initial appearance of "the" antichrist upon the stage of the world. Although there have been numerous false messiahs throughout history, here we see "the" antichrist (II Thess. 2:3-6) – the "man of sin," the "son of perdition" who exalts himself as God. We see who "he" is.

I'm suggesting that at the appearance of this first rider, the Restrainer, the Holy Spirit, has been taken out of the way so that the antichrist might be revealed. The Church has already been caught up because we are told to watch for Christ NOT for the antichrist.

We must understand that God is sovereign over ALL and redirects sin and the depravity of man toward His own ends...while man remains fully responsible for their actions. God is not the author of $\sin (\underline{I \, Jn. \, 1:5} - God \, is \, light \, and \, in \, Him \, is \, no \, darkness \, \underline{at \, all})$. All things, however, serve His purpose in the end.

he who sat on it (the white horse) had a bow

This might be an indication of the antichrist's initial deception through peace and agreement (Dan. 9:27). The symbol suggests bloodless victories. The antichrist will bring a deceptive peace to the world. The antichrist will deceive Israel particularly. The people of Israel have for so long desired peace. The antichrist will make a firm covenant with many (Dan. 9:27). And, the Tribulation will begin.

"He" in Daniel 9:26-27 (includes a future timeframe)

"He" is noted as a prince of the people who destroyed Jerusalem and the sanctuary, the Temple, in 70 A.D. – the Romans.

A future timeframe is noted re: the prince - who is to come.

"He' will enter into a covenant with "many".

A specific timeframe is noted re: this covenant.

There's a break in the timeframe as "he" will bring an end to sacrifice and offering. The result: abominations which make desolate.

Abomination of desolations (Matt. 24:15) – when the antichrist will set himself up in the temple in Jerusalem to be worshipped (II Thess. 2:4)

The end result is noted as "the consummation" - the final judgment previously determined by Whom?

The consummation will come upon a sinful, rebellious world in bondage under the enemy who has empowered the antichrist (II Thess. 2:9; Rev. 13:2 – the dragon the antichrist his power, throne and authority. Rev. 12:9-10 – the great dragon, that serpent of old called the devil and Satan. Luke 22:3 – Satan enters Judas – so he conferred w/ the chief priests to betray Jesus. Jn. 13:27 – at the Passover).

This consummation will impact the desolate/the desolator – he who makes desolate.

The peace treaty with Israel will come to an abrupt halt at the midpoint of the Tribulation when he desecrates the Temple in Jerusalem (Matt. 24:15; II Thess. 2:4), betrays the Jewish people, and launches deadly attacks on them (Matt. 24:4-10; Rev. 12:13-15) and on Gentile believers (Rev. 12:17).

Why does God unleash the antichrist?

- To refine, purge, purify Israel (Mal. 3:3).
- The antichrist will play a major role in shattering Israel's rebellion. <u>Dan. 12:7b</u> it shall be for a time, times, and half a time; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these things shall be finished.
- God will judge the unbelieving, rebellious world by giving it the kind of ruler it deserves. (Much like Rom. 1:24, 26, 28 God gave sinful mankind up to uncleanness, vile passions, and a debased mind because Rom. 1:21 man did not glorify God as God)
- The antichrist will expose the world's unbelief in that many will take on the mark of the beast and worship him.
- To bring about the final showdown between Jesus and Satan and his forces and the defeat of Satan!

and a crown was given to him

This crown, in the Gk, is *stephanos* which is a victor's crown or wreath and means "a badge of royalty, a prize in the public games or a symbol of honor generally." Used during the ancient Greek games, it referred to a wreath or garland of leaves placed on a victor's head as a reward for winning an athletic contest.

Jesus wears many diadema (the kingly ornament for the head; a crown) when He returns.

This crown which the antichrist wears was given to him. This perhaps means that he didn't gain it/earn it. It was given to him by Satan? Perhaps. Granted to him by our sovereign God? Remember, Jesus is breaking the seals. There is nothing which transpires that God Himself does not permit.

and he went out conquering and to conquer.

The antichrist will be given extraordinary powers

<u>II Thess. 2:9</u> - The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders,

The antichrist will perform counterfeit signs and wonders and deceive many during the Tribulation (II Thess. 2:10).

The antichrist is called the beast (Rev. 13:1-10).

In his desire to dominate the world, he will break the peace treaty with Israel (Dan. 9:27), seek to destroy the Jews (Rev. 12:13-16), persecute believers (Rev. 12:17; Rev. 13:7), and set up his own kingdom (Rev. 13).

The antichrist will speak arrogant and boastful words, glorifying himself (Dan. 11:36; II Thess. 2:4).

Antichrist's assistant, the false prophet, will seek to make the world worship the antichrist (Rev. 13:11-12). The false prophet will control the global economy by forcing people around the world to receive the mark of the beast/antichrist in order to buy or sell (Rev. 13:16-17). To receive this mark ensures one of being the recipient of God's wrath. The antichrist will eventually rule the entire world (Rev. 13:7).

AND, the antichrist will be conquered and cast alive into the lake of fire!

Will the antichrist be Jewish?

I do not believe so. Rev. 13:1 and 17:5 describe the antichrist as coming up out of the sea. The sea is a Scriptural metaphor for the Gentile nations. Antiochus Epiphanes, a Gentile, is a type of the future antichrist. AND, remember, the antichrist has a keen hatred for the Jewish people which is evidenced in Rev. 12.

Will the antichrist be Muslim?

I do not believe so. Dan. 11:36 tells us that the antichrist shall exalt himself and magnify himself above every god. II Thess. 2:4 tells us that he opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship and he proclaims himself as God.

The Muslim creed: "There is one God named Allah."

Muslims teach that God can have no partners.

Muslim teaching states that Allah is so transcendent and beyond anything in the finite realm that he cannot be described using earthly terms. How could the antichrist, as a Muslim, claim to be God?

Would the Jewish people place their hopes of survival and security in the hands of a Muslim? Perhaps... Deception runs high!

From where will the antichrist come? Revived Roman Empire - The term *Revived Roman Empire* (which is not used in Scripture) refers to a powerful government predicted in biblical prophecy. This regime will rise to power and dominate the world during the end times. The Revived Roman Empire is commonly associated with the fourth beast of Daniel chapter 7. This beast is described as "terrifying and frightening and very powerful" (Daniel 7:7). This ten-horned beast is a prophetic picture of the Roman Empire (verses 19–24), but, as Daniel watches, a little horn rises from the beast, with "eyes like the eyes of a human being and a mouth that spoke boastfully" (verse 8). This final horn is the Antichrist, who will somehow be connected with the Roman Empire. Since the Roman Empire has been defunct since the fifth century, we expect it to be "revived" in

some way to fulfill the end-times' prophecies. The Revived Roman Empire has also been linked to the fifth and final kingdom mentioned in Daniel chapter 2 (Daniel 2:41—43). This passage concerns Nebuchadnezzar's dream of an image made of various metals. The iron legs represent the Roman Empire, and the feet made "partly of iron and partly of baked clay" (Daniel 2:33) represent the final world empire. The fact that it shares the element iron with the fourth kingdom suggests a connection to Rome, and the ten toes could imply a ten-nation confederacy (matching the ten horns in Daniel 7:20) led collectively by a single powerful ruler. Speculation about the exact nature of the Revived Roman Empire can be interesting, but we must remember to keep the right perspective. Our primary focus as Christians is supposed to be spreading the gospel, not trying to identify the Antichrist. We can read the signs of the times (Matthew 16:3), but we don't know enough to be dogmatic in the details.

...and he went out conquering and to conquer

We know from both Daniel and Revelation that the antichrist will be defeated and cast alive into the lake of fire!

How should this impact us today?

QUESTIONS

So what?
Any V8 moments?
How do you understand God's judgments?
Are you struggling with ______ (fill in the blank)?
How will this lesson impact your walk with the Lord?

HOMEWORK

Reread week 8's handout and check out Scriptural references Review the attached end times flow chart and note your observations/questions/comments