





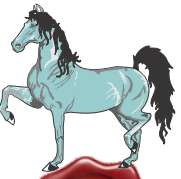







# JESUS' BIRTH PANGS AND THE SEALS OF REVELATION 6

Jesus spoke of events in response to His disciple's question concerning His coming and of "the end of the world" (Mt.24:3). It is significant to note that He describes events that are the same, and in the same order, as the "Seals" in the book of Revelation. It must be pointed out that the "many" (Mt.24:5) does not parallel the ONE (Rv.6:2). That is, the many false Christs, who "come in my name" (Mt.24:5) does not parallel the ONE beast (Antichrist) (Rv.6:2) who does not come in Jesus' name. The beginning birth pangs of Matthew 24:4-8 are historical trends that have been occurring since the resurrection of Jesus. The first seal describes the beginning of the 70th week of Daniel. Seal 2 begins the Great Tribulation period. And seals 3-5 symbolize the results of the Beast breaking the covenant.

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>70th Week Begins</b></p>   <p><b>White Horse</b> False Christ's</p> <p><sup>1</sup>And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see. 2And I saw, and behold a white horse: and <u>he</u> that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto <u>him</u>: and <u>he</u> went forth conquering, and to conquer." (Rv.6:1-2)</p>	<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Tribulation Begins</b></p>   <p><b>Red Horse</b> Wars &amp; Rumors of Wars</p> <p><sup>3</sup>And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see. <sup>4</sup>And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword." (Rv.6:3-4)</p>	<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Economic Controls</b></p>   <p><b>Black Horse</b> Famine &amp; Starvation</p> <p><sup>5</sup>And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. <sup>6</sup>And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine." (Rv.6:5-6)</p>	<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Much Death</b></p>   <p><b>Pale Horse</b> Death &amp; Martyrdom</p> <p><sup>7</sup>And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see. <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth." (Rv.6:7-8)</p>	<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Represents All Martyrs</b></p>   <p><b>Souls Under the Altar</b></p> <p><sup>9</sup>And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: <sup>10</sup>And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?" (Rv.6:9-10)</p>	<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Coming of Christ</b></p>   <p><b>Sun, Moon, Stars</b></p> <p><sup>12</sup>And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; <sup>13</sup>And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. ... (Rv.6:12-17)</p>
<p><sup>3</sup>And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? <sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. <sup>5</sup>For <u>many</u> shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many." (Mt.24:3-5)</p>	<p>"And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." (Mt.24:6)</p>	<p><sup>7</sup>For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. <sup>8</sup>All these are the beginning of sorrows." (Mt.24:7-8)</p>	<p>"Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake." (Mt.24:9)</p>	<p><sup>10</sup>And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. <sup>11</sup>And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. <sup>12</sup>And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. <sup>13</sup>But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." (Mt.24:10-13)</p>	<p><sup>29</sup>Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory." (Mt.24:29-30)</p>