

THE SEALS OF REVELATION 6

Blessing (Resurrection) Then Wrath (Judgment)

SEAL 6

Rv.6:12-14, Day of Christ

Cosmic Signs (Jl.2:30-31; Mt.24:29) then Resurrection (Rv.7:9-17)

- Represents the arrival of Christ, and the inception of the Day of the Lord (**Mt.24:31-44** compared with **Rv.7:9-17**).
- The Day of Christ is the arrival of Christ to gather all believers (**2Th.2:1**).
- AFTER the Tribulation of those days, Christ comes in the clouds. He does not come all the way to the earth. Believers are gathered together with Christ in the clouds (**1Th.4:13-18; 2Th.2:1-2; Ti.2:13**).
- This Seal interrupts the oppression of the Beast and ends the Tribulation by being "cut short" (**Mt.24:22**).
- The signs in the Sun, Moon, and stars will be followed by darkness (**Jl.2:10, 30-31; 3:15; Am.5:20; Mt.24:29**). Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear (**Mt.24:30a**). Believers will respond with expectation, and unbelievers will panic, mourn (**Mt.24:30b**) and try to hide from the face of the Father and Jesus Christ (**Is.2:12-21; Rv.6:15-17**).
- The 6th Seal arrival of Jesus occurs at an unknown day and hour sometime after the midpoint of Daniel's 70th Week (**Mt.24:36-44**).
- The arrival of Christ and the rapture occur after **Revelation 6:14**. The vision does not mention the arrival of Christ (**Mt.24:30**), nor the rapture (**2Th.4:13-18**). But the vision does show the response of the earth dwellers (**Rv.6:15-17**).
- If a rapture had just taken place, we would expect the narrative to describe (1) the condition on the earth (**Rv.7:1-8**) and (2) the raptured saints in Heaven (**Rv.7:9-17**). Chapter 7 gives us this very description. John sees the raptured saints **STANDING** before the throne as if they just got there.



SEAL 7

Rv.6:15-17; 8:1-2, Day of the Lord

Wrath of God (Judgment, Rv.6:17)

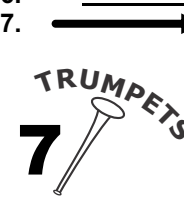
- The content of the 7th Seal are the 7 Trumpets (**Rv.8:1-5**).
- The wrath of God begins to fall upon the earth dwellers via the 7 Trumpet judgments.
- This will be a judgment upon all the proud (**Is.2:12-22**).
- In **Rv.6:17**, the verb "is come" is an aorist active of *erchomai*, which indicates that the Day of wrath has NOW arrived. It speaks of the signs that just occurred.
- The 7 Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls are connected together and are three succeeding series. The 7th Seal introduces the 7 Trumpets. And the 7th Trumpet introduces the 7 Bowls.
- There is silence in Heaven for about half an hour, indicating something huge is about to happen (**Rv.8:1**).

7 SEALS



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7 TRUMPETS



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7 VIALS



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