THE UNVEILING OF JESUS CHRIST

"Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse"

Revelation 6:1-8

INTRODUCTION:

- 1. This morning we are looking @ Revelation 6 and this is where the real action begins on earth in the Tribulation.
- 2. Believers are in Chapters 4&5
 - a) And the setting is the Throne in Heaven from which all the Judgments of the Tribulation will proceed.
- 3. Revelation 1:19
 - a) "write the things which you have seen"
 - 1) Chapter 1
 - b) "and the things which are..."
 - 1) Chapter 2-3
 - c) "and the things which will take place after this"
 - 1) Chapters 4-19, 20, 21
- 4. Chapter 5:1-7
- 5. The scroll contains 7 Seals.
 - a) The 7th Seal then contains 7 Trumpet judgments. (8:1 11:19)
 - b) The 7th Trumpet Judgment contains the 7 Bowl Judgments. (16:1-21)
 - c) All of which are about to fall upon the earth.
 - d) The SEVEN SEALS contain all the judgments until the end until Jesus returns.
- 6. Why HORSES??
 - a) Horses in Scripture are associated with Triumph; Majesty; Power; and Triumph.
 - 1) Revelation 19:11, 14
 - 2) Job 39:19-25
 - 3) Proverbs 21:31
 - b) In battle the strength and fearlessness of the horse was respected.
- 7. Chapter 6:1
 - a) "Come"
 - b) Cf. 3,5,7

I. SEAL #1 - THE WHITE HORSE

- 1. Vs 2
- 2. Chapter 19:11, 14
- 3. Who is the rider on the White Horse?
 - a) In Chapter 19 His weapon is a Sword.
 - b) In Chapter 6 His weapon is a bow with no arrows.
 - c) In Chapter 19 Christ is wearing a Crown (Diadem) = a Kings Crown.
 - d) In Chapter 6 the rider is wearing a Crown (Stephanzos) = a Victors Crown.
 - 1) Anyone can win a victors crown.
 - 2) Only Christ can where the Kings Crown (Diadem).
 - e) In Chapter 19 the White Horse signals the end of judgment.
 - f) In Chapter 6 the White Horse is @ the beginning of Judgment.

4. WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW IS - SATAN IS THE GREAT COUNTERFEITER!!

- a) Today there is a true Gospel and a false Gospel
 - 1) 1 Corinthians 15:1-4
 - 2) 1 Corinthians 16:22
- b) There is a Holy Trinity God the Father; God the Son; God the Holy Spirit.
 - 1) And there's a counterfeit Trinity The Dragon (Satan); The Beast (Antichrist); and the False Prophet.
- c) There are true miracles of God
 - 1) And there are **False miracles** of Satan.
- d) There are true teachers of the Word
 - 1) There are false teachers.
- 5. The rider on the White Horse in Chapter 6, has a bow with no arrows because he conquers in the name of false peace.
 - a) Daniel 8:26-27
 - 1) "people of the prince"
 - b) This prince makes a covenant with Israel to protect the Jews from their enemies.

II. SEAL #2 - THE RED HORSE

- 1. Vs 3-4
- 2. This Red Horse represents War!!

- a) The Red Horse represents the shedding of blood.
- 3. In the last 100 years alone, two world wars claimed the lives of 42 million people with 50 million more being wounded.
 - a) Millions of citizens were killed or died in concentration camps.
- 4. BUT THE WARS YET TO BE FOUGHT ON PLANET EARTH and the suffering that comes with war will be so much more devastating than anything in history.
 - a) Vs 3-4
 - 1) "he was given a great sword"
- 5. Matthew 24:6
 - a) "wars and rumors of wars"

III. SEAL #3 - THE BLACK HORSE

- 1. The color BLACK is often connected to DEATH & STARVATION & FAMINE that often occurs as a result of war.
- 2. Vs 5-6
 - a) "denarius" a penny = a day's wage during Biblical times.
- 3. WATCH THIS: All but the rich will suffer.
 - a) **Vs 6**
 - 1) "and do not harm the oil and wine"
 - b) But for the Middle ad Poor Class = STARVATION
- 4. Revelation 13:17
 - a) This scenario plays directly into the hands of the Antichrist.
- 5. HUNGER is a GREAT MOTIVATOR!!!

IV. SEAL #4 - THE PALE HORSE

- 1. Vs 7-8
- 2. FOUR HORSEMAN OF THE APOCALYPSE
 - a) The WHITE HORSE
 - 1) The Antichrist and false Peace
 - b) The RED HORSE
 - 1) War and the end of peace
 - c) The BLACK HORSE
 - 1) Death, Starvation and Famine

- 3. **DEATH and HADES** are mentioned 3 times in Revelation.
 - a) Christ has the KEYS to DEATH and HADES
 - 1) Revelation 1:18; 20:14
 - b) BUT 20:13 tells us a little more about them.
- 4. After the Antichrist's brief treaty of peace, comes WAR, and after war, famine comes **DEATH and HELL**.
 - a) They are armed with SWORD, HUNGER, PESTILENCE (plagues) and wild beasts.
- 5. These are FOUR JUDGMENTS the Lord said He would send!!
 - a) Ezekiel 14:21
- 6. VERY IMPORTANT: Pestilence is a word for "Epidemic" Covid 19.
 - a) 1,176,639 deaths in our country
 - b) 6,982,848 deaths around the world
 - c) AND look at all the hysteria surrounding Covid.
- 7. Vs 8
 - a) "and by wild beasts of the earth"
 - 1) Dis you know that RATS carry as many as 35 known diseases?
 - a) They are the most deadly creatures of all.
 - b) And they thrive in the most dense populated areas.
 - b) Rats have accounted for millions of deaths!
 - 1) In the 14th century the Bubonic Plague (which came from rats) wiped out $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1/3 of Europe's population.
- 8. Vs 8
- 9. Matthew 24:37-39

CONCLUSION

- 1. Praise and Worship
 - a) In Chapters 4 and 5 the Church will be in Heaven Romans 8:1
- 2. We need to respond with urgency for the lost.
- 3. Where will you be when the Tribulation begins???