

CrossRoads Community Church
Sermon Summary Sheet, Week of September 4, 2022
“THE THRONE ROOM OF HEAVEN – Hope for a Troubled World”
Part 5: The Administration of the Lord, Revelation 6: 7-8

INTRODUCTION: *As Jesus, the Lamb of God, opens the seals in Revelation 6, He initiates the events which ultimately serve God’s purposes in what unfolds. Opening the first 4 seals unleashes the “4 Horsemen of the Apocalypse,” the beginnings of sorrows at the start of the Tribulation. The fourth horse, ridden by Death and Hades, brings destruction that serves the purposes of God, as part of His divine administration. A fourth of the earth feels His power, that the rest may see and have the opportunity to repent.*

OUTLINE OF REVELATION

1. PROLOGUE (1:1-8)
2. THE FIRST VISION (1:9-3:22)
3. THE SECOND VISION (4:1-16:21)
4. THE THIRD VISION (17:1-21:8)
5. THE FOURTH VISION - THE HEAVENLY JERUSALEM (21:9-22:5)
6. EPILOGUE (22:6-21)

1. THE IMPENDING DESTRUCTION

And power was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth.” Revelation 6:8b

- *The Lord’s Cause - Ezekiel 14: 21-23*
- *The Land’s Crises*
 - Sword = War*
 - Hunger = Famine*
 - Death = Pestilences...Plus*
 - Beasts = Evil Leaders*

2. THE IMPACT OF DEATH

So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him..” Revelation 6:8a

- *The Reality of Mortality - Hebrews 9: 27-28*
- *The Remaining Mission - 2 Corinthians 5:11*

3. THE IMPORTANCE OF DECISION

And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.” Rev. 20:15

- *The Decision of Christ - 1 Peter 3:18*
- *The Decision for Christ - Romans 10:9,14*

CONCLUSION

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.” 2 Peter 3: 8-9

“To his eternal peril, may man not miss the primary purpose of this fourth rider to dramatically bring God’s warning of future judgment. We are called to hear the approaching hoofbeats to humble ourselves before God while there is still time.” Billy Graham