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End Times Prophecy

This Week: Lesson: Revelation 6 Next Week: Revelation 7

Revelation 6 The first 6 seals



- **Vs. 1-2** The 1st seal White horse, the conqueror (antichrist)
- Vs. 3-4 The 2nd seal Red horse, war
- **Vs. 5-6** The 3rd seal Black horse, famine price of food approx. 12x
- **Vs. 7-8** The 4th seal Pale horse, death
- Vs. 9-11 The 5th seal Martyrs
- Vs. 12-14, 15-17 The 6th seal The signs of the Day of the Lord Isaiah 2:10, 19, 21 (Rev. 6:15-17), 13:10 (Rev. 6:12-13), 34:4 (Rev. 6:14) Joel 2:31 (Rev. 6:12) Luke 21:10-11, 25-26 (Rev. 6:12-14)

Discussion:

- Discuss the symbolism of the 4 horses of the apocalypse, compare with the "patrolmen" of Zechariah 1, and Christ in Revelation 19 – read Job 39:19-25
- **Discuss** the state of the martyrs are these literal individuals or a symbolic representation? How does the timing of their request bear on this question?
- Note the 7-year difference between the signs of the Day of the Lord being fulfilled and the coming of Christ in chapter 19 the period of tribulation must be seen as a single event of final judgment.
- **Note** the 7th seal is in chapter 8.

Open Question to Class:

Many things going on as signs and judgments are nothing new in of themselves (earthquakes, war, famine, eclipses, red moons) what's the difference which causes the terror in vs. 15-17?

Time Available:

Discuss puppet skits for community Easter-egg hunt.