

Some Prophecies of Revelation

A Study Outline

- I. Most of these prophecies are a prelude to the return of Jesus Christ to rule on the earth in His Kingdom.
- II. Revelation ties in closely with the book of Daniel in ordering end-time events in time sequence.
- III. **The seven seals:** see Revelation 6 and 8, and Matthew 24.
 - A. *Seal 1* (Rev. 6:1-2): a white horse, the rider with a bow and crown; see Matt. 24:4-5, 11
 - B. *Seal 2* (Rev. 6:3-4): a red horse, the rider with a sword; see Matt. 24:6-7
 - C. *Seal 3* (Rev. 6:5-6): a black horse, the rider with a pair of scales; see Matt. 24:7
 - D. *Seal 4* (Rev. 6:7-8): a sickly pale horse, the rider with the name Death and Hades
 - E. *Seal 5* (Rev. 6:9-11): martyred saints under the altar are given white robes, and told to remain “asleep” [dead] until other martyrs are added to their number; see Gal.2:20; Ps. 44:22
 - F. *Seal 6* (Rev. 6:12-17): an earthquake, heavenly signs, and people try to hide themselves
 - G. *Seal 7* (Rev. 8:1): silence in heaven for half an hour; this may incorporate the trumpets below
- IV. **The seven trumpets:** see Revelation 8, 9, and 11; several of these are global events.
 - A. *Trumpet 1* (Rev. 8:7): fire and hail mixed with blood are thrown to the earth; a third of the earth, trees, and grass are burned
 - B. *Trumpet 2* (Rev. 8:8-9): a huge burning meteor hits the sea; a third of the sea creatures are killed, and a third of the ships are destroyed
 - C. *Trumpet 3* (Rev. 8:10-11): another meteor, called Wormwood, falls to the earth like a torch and pollutes a third of the rivers and springs; many are killed by the bitter waters
 - D. *Trumpet 4* (Rev. 8:12): the sun and moon are able to shine only a third as brightly as before
 - E. *Trumpet 5* (Rev. 9:1-11): the “shaft of the abyss” is opened, and smoke and locusts come out; the locusts torment those not having God’s seal for 5 months; Satan is the locusts’ king
 - F. *Trumpet 6* (Rev. 9:13-21): a third of men are killed by a million-man army

The Great Tribulation: Matt. 24:15-29
From the last trumpets until the first bowl is poured out?

At this time **Jesus Christ returns** to meet the saints in the air at the first resurrection: I Cor. 15:50-52; I Thess. 4:15-18; Matt. 24:29-31. For evidence of two resurrections see Rev. 20:5; John 5:28-29. The heavenly marriage supper occurs: Rev. 19:7-10.

 - G. *Trumpet 7* (Rev. 11:15-19): earth’s kingdoms become Christ’s; the nations are enraged; earthquake; hail
- V. **The seven bowls:** see Revelation 16; this concludes the total destruction of the Babylonian cultural system within which we live (Rev. 17 and 18).
 - A. *Bowl 1* (Rev. 16:2): malignant sores on those having the beast’s mark, and who worship his image
 - B. *Bowl 2* (Rev. 16:3): the sea becomes like the blood of a dead man; all living creatures in the sea die
 - C. *Bowl 3* (Rev. 16:4-7): the rivers and springs of water become like blood
 - D. *Bowl 4* (Rev. 16:8-9): the sun increases in power and scorches men with fierce heat
 - E. *Bowl 5* (Rev. 16:10-11): darkness on the throne of the beast; they blaspheme God for their pain
 - F. *Bowl 6* (Rev. 16:12-16): the Euphrates River is dried up, and an army is gathered at Armageddon
 - G. *Bowl 7* (Rev. 16:17-21): the greatest earthquake in the history of men on earth, lightning and thunder, Jerusalem is split into three parts, the cities of Babylon fall, and great hail
- VI. **The return of Jesus Christ, the heavenly hosts, and the saints to crush the forces of the beast**
 - A. The actual return: Rev. 19:11-21
 - B. Dan. 2:31-45: Nebuchadnezzar’s dream; compare with the Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matt. 13:31-32) and the Parable of the Leaven (Matt. 13:33)
 - C. Satan is bound: Rev. 20:1-3
- VII. **The establishment of God’s Kingdom on earth for 1,000 years:** Zech. 14:7-21; Rev. 20:4-6; Micah 4:3-4