

UNVEILED! — REVELATION 6

LESSON 5 — THE LAMB OPENS THE SEALS • Revelation 6:1-17

THEME: The Lamb who was slain still _____ history. Even the fearful events of this age remain under His _____ and move toward His final _____.

1. THE FIRST FOUR SEALS — THE FOUR HORSEMEN (6:1-8)

The Lamb opens the first four seals, and four riders go out. The repeated phrase “it was given” reminds us that their authority is _____, not _____.

Horse	Picture	Meaning
White horse	Conquest	_____
Red horse	War and violence	_____
Black horse	Scarcity and economic distress	_____
Pale/green horse	Death	_____

Key Question: What phrase keeps these terrifying riders from becoming a picture of chaos outside God’s rule?

2. THESE ARE THE TROUBLES OF THE PRESENT AGE

The horsemen portray recurring realities of the age between Christ’s ascension and return: _____, war, scarcity, disease, and _____. Revelation gives us repeated cycles of Christ’s dealings with the earth rather than a simple chronological timetable.

Think About It: How should a Christian react when the world seems to be unraveling?

3. THE FIFTH SEAL — THE SAINTS UNDER THE ALTAR (6:9-11)

The martyrs cry, “How long?” They are not asking for personal revenge but for God’s promised _____. They receive white robes and are told to _____ until God’s appointed purpose is complete.

Image	OT Background	Meaning
Under the altar	Leviticus 4:7; 17:11	_____
White robes	Isaiah 61:10; Revelation 3:4-5	_____
“How long?”	Psalms 13; Habakkuk 1:2	_____
“Rest a little longer”	Daniel 12:13	_____

Discussion: Why is “How long?” a prayer of faith rather than unbelief?

4. THE SIXTH SEAL — THE DAY NO ONE CAN ESCAPE (6:12-17)

The sixth seal uses Old Testament “Day of the LORD” imagery. The point is not an astronomical checklist; it is that every created refuge fails when the _____ and the _____ come in judgment.

Passage	Image	Connection
Isaiah 13:9-13	Sun, moon, stars darkened	_____
Isaiah 34:4	Heavens rolled up like a scroll	_____
Joel 2:30-31	Sun darkened; moon like blood	_____
Hosea 10:8	“Fall on us...cover us”	_____

Key Question: The chapter ends, “The great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?” Where will Revelation answer that question?

5. WHAT REVELATION 6 DOES — AND DOES NOT — TEACH

False Conclusion	What John Sees Instead
The world is spiraling outside Christ's control.	_____
Every seal must be matched to one modern headline.	_____
Martyrs are abandoned by God.	_____
God's wrath is incompatible with the Lamb's love.	_____

TAKE-HOME TRUTH

Revelation 6 does not promise that Christ's Church will be spared the troubles of a fallen world. It promises that none of them can separate the Church from the _____ who rules history, hears His saints, clothes them in righteousness, and will finally judge _____.

Closing Question: When frightening events make Christ seem absent, what does Revelation 6 tell you to see?

CLASS NOTES
