

THE REVELATION
OF JESUS CHRIST
FIRST 6 SEALS

Lesson 5 | Chapter 6

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CHAPTER 6 | AMP

Then I saw as the Lamb (Christ) broke one of the seven seals [of the scroll initiating the judgments], and I heard one of the four living creatures call out as with a voice of thunder, "Come." I looked, and behold, a white horse [of victory] whose rider carried a bow; and a crown [of victory] was given to him, and he rode forth conquering and to conquer.

When He (the Lamb) broke the second seal, I heard the second living creature call out, "Come." And another, a fiery red horse [of bloodshed], came out; and its rider was empowered to take peace from the earth, so that men would slaughter one another; and a great sword [of war and violent death] was given to him.

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When He (the Lamb) broke open the third seal, I heard the third living creature call out, "Come." I looked, and behold, a black horse [of famine]; and the rider had in his hand a pair of scales (a balance). And I heard *something* like a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius (a day's wages), and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not damage the oil and the wine."

When He (the Lamb) broke open the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature call out, "Come." So I looked, and behold, an ashen (pale greenish gray) horse [like a corpse, representing death and pestilence]; and its rider's name was Death; and Hades (the realm of the dead) was following with him. They were given authority *and* power over a fourth part of the earth, to kill with the sword and with famine and with plague (pestilence, disease) and by the wild beasts of the earth.

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When He (the Lamb) broke open the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slaughtered because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained [out of loyalty to Christ]. They cried in a loud voice, saying, "O Lord, holy and true, how long now before You will sit in judgment and avenge our blood on those [unregenerate ones] who dwell on the earth?" Then they were each given a white robe; and they were told to rest and wait quietly for a little while longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers and sisters who were to be killed even as they had been, would be completed.

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I looked when He (the Lamb) broke open the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth [made] of hair, and the whole moon became like blood; and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, like a fig tree shedding its late [summer] figs when shaken by a strong wind. The sky was split [separated from the land] and rolled up like a scroll, and every mountain and island were dislodged and moved out of their places. Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the military commanders and the wealthy and the strong and everyone, [whether] slave or free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; and they called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne, and from the [righteous] wrath and indignation of the Lamb; for the great day of their wrath and vengeance and retribution has come, and who is able to [face God and] stand [before the wrath of the Lamb]?"

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3 SERIES OF 7'S | SEALS, TRUMPETS & BOWLS

7 SEALS

- 1 WHITE HORSE - AGGRESSION
- 2 RED HORSE - BLOODSHED
- 3 BLACK HORSE - FAMINE
- 4 GREEN HORSE - DISEASE
- "WOES"
- 5 PERSECUTION & PRAYER (BELIEVERS)
- 6 TRENORS & TERROR (UNBELIEVERS)
- 7 SILENCE (EARTHQUAKE)

7 TRUMPETS

- 1 SCORCHED EARTH
- 2 POLLUTED SEA
- 3 CONTAMINATED WATER
- 4 REDUCED SUNLIGHT
- "WOES"
- 5 INFECT PLAGUE
- 6 ORIENTAL INVASION
- 7 KINGDOM COME (EARTHQUAKE)

7 BOWLS

- 1 BOILS ON SKIN
- 2 BLOOD IN SEA
- 3 BLOOD FROM SPRINGS
- 4 BURNING BY SUN
- "WOES"
- 5 DARKNESS
- 6 ARMAGEDDON
- 7 UNIVERSAL CATASTROPHE (EARTHQUAKE)

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SUCCESSIVE → SIMULTANEOUS or...

SEALS	TRUMPETS	BOWLS
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	1 2 3 4 5 6 7

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SEALS	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
TRUMPETS	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
BOWLS	1 2 3 4 5 6 7

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SUCCESSIVE, SPEEDED, SIMULTANEOUS

SEALS	1 2 3 4-5 6	7
TRUMPETS	1 2 3 4-5 6	7
BOWLS	1 2 3 4-5 6 7	7

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The Four Horsemen

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REVELATION 5

I saw in the right hand of Him who was seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, closed and sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel announcing with a loud voice, "Who is worthy [having the authority and virtue] to open the scroll and to break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth [in Hades, the realm of the dead] was able to open the scroll or look into it. And I began to weep greatly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or look into it. Then one of the [twenty-four] elders said to me, "Stop weeping! Look closely, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome and conquered! He can open the scroll and [break] its seven seals."

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REVELATION 1

Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this.

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REVELATION 5

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DANIEL 12

“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”

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DANIEL 12

Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others stood, one on this bank of the stream and one on that bank of the stream. And someone said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream, “How long shall it be till the end of these wonders?” And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream; he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time, and that when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end all these things would be finished.

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DANIEL 12

I heard, but I did not understand. Then I said, “O my lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?” He said, “Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end. Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand. And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days. Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the 1,335 days. But go your way till the end. And you shall rest and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of the days.”

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2 PETER 1:20-21

“knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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1 CORINTHIANS 2

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the [Holy] Spirit who is from God, so that we may know *and* understand the [wonderful] things freely given to us by God. We also speak of these things, not in words taught or supplied by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining *and* interpreting spiritual *thoughts* with spiritual words [for those being guided by the Holy Spirit].

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ZECHARIAH 6:1-5

Now again I looked up, and four chariots were coming out from between two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of [firm, immovable] bronze (divine judgment). The first chariot had red horses (war, bloodshed), the second chariot had black horses (famine, death), the third chariot had white horses (victory), and the fourth chariot had strong dappled horses (death through judgment). Then I said to the angel who was speaking with me, “What are these, my lord?” The angel answered me, “These are the four spirits of the heavens, which go out after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth,

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ZECHARIAH 1:8-11

In the night I saw [a vision] and behold, a Man was riding on a red horse, and it stood among the myrtle trees that were in the ravine; and behind Him were horses: red, sorrel (reddish-brown), and white. Then I said, "O my lord, what are these?" And the angel who was speaking with me said, "I will show you what these are." And the Man who stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, "These are the ones whom the LORD has sent to go throughout the earth and patrol it." And the men on the horses answered the Angel of the LORD who stood among the myrtle trees and said, "We have gone throughout the earth [patrolling it] and behold, all the earth sits at rest [in peace and free from war]."

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SEAL #1 | MILITARY AGGRESSION

Then I saw as the Lamb (Christ) broke one of the seven seals [of the scroll initiating the judgments], and I heard one of the four living creatures call out as with a voice of thunder, "Come." I looked, and behold, a white horse [of victory] whose rider carried a bow; and a crown [of victory] was given to him, and he rode forth conquering and to conquer.

**THE SYMBOL: WHITE HORSE
THE AGRESSOR: MAN
THE MISSION: CONQUER**



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SO CHRIST IS INITIATING THE JUDGMENTS

**one of the seals
John heard one of the four living creatures
I looked - a white horse
rider carried a bow
and a crown
was given to him
rode forth conquering and to conquer.**

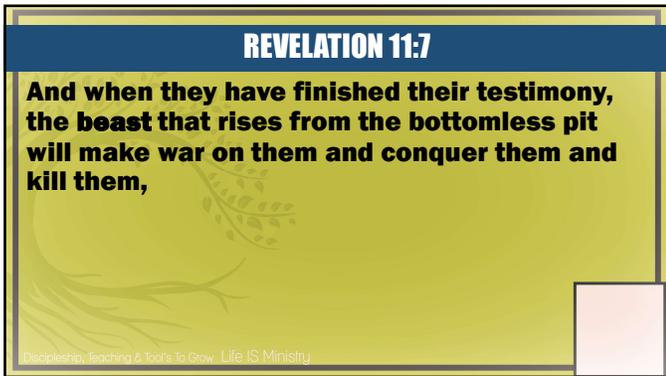


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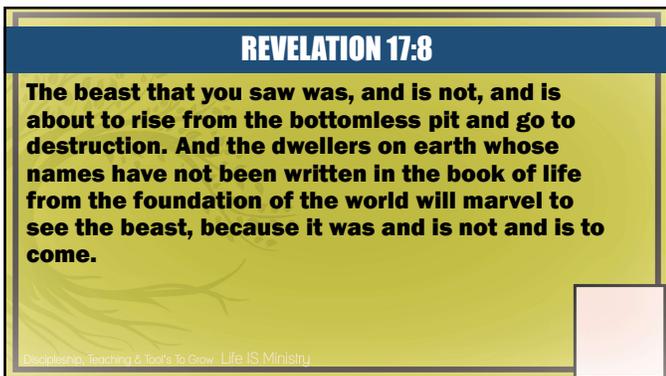
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MATTHEW 24

“See that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

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MATTHEW 24

“Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

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OTHER TRANSLATIONS WORD CHOICES

KJV	HAD a bow
NKJV	HAD a bow
NLT	<i>carried a bow</i>
ESV	HAD a bow
NIV	<i>held a bow</i>
CSB	<i>held a bow</i>
NASB	HAD a bow
AMP	<i>carried a bow</i>

SO, What does the Greek Word mean?

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G2192 echó HAD → a bow

1. to have, i.e. to hold
 1. to have (hold) in the hand, in the sense of wearing, to have (hold) possession of the mind (refers to alarm, agitating emotions, etc.), to hold fast keep, to have or comprise or involve, to regard or consider or hold as

2. to have i.e. own, possess
 1. external things such as pertain to property or riches or furniture or utensils or goods or food etc.
 2. used of those joined to any one by the bonds of natural blood or marriage or friendship or duty or law etc, of attendance or companionship

3. to hold one's self or find one's self so and so, to be in such or such a condition

4. to hold one's self to a thing, to lay hold of a thing, to adhere or cling to
 1. to be closely joined to a person or a thing

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An Archer's Bow? A Fabric Bow?




Or a Bow without the Rain

Where does your mind go?

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BOW | G5115 toxon

Strong's Number: G5115
Greek Base Word: τόξον
Usage: Bow
Definition: A bow (apparently as the simplest fabric).
Detailed definition:
 A bow.
Derived terms: From the base of [G5088](#).

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BASE WORD IN GREEK FOR BOW | G5088 Tikto

Strong's Number: G5088
Greek Base Word: τικτω
Usage: Bear, be born, bring forth, be delivered, be in travail
Definition: To produce (from seed, as a mother, a plant, the earth, etc.), literally or figuratively.
Detailed definition:
To bring forth, bear, produce (fruit from the seed).
Of a woman giving birth.
Of the earth bringing forth its fruits.
Metaphorically to bear, bring forth.

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WE "SEE" THE BOW of an ARCHER IN NEARLY ALL PICTURES

Sir William Ramsay (1851-1939), an expert in Biblical Archaeology and writings of the New Testament. Said that a 1st century Christian would immediately connect the conqueror with the bow to the Parthians. The Parthian were horse-borne fighters, & the bow was their preferred weapon. Rome lost to them repeatedly and could not stand up against this army of archers. Ever hear of the Parthian shot? One of their tricks was to flee their enemies feigning defeat and then to turn around in the saddle and shoot behind them -with accuracy.

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THE CROWN

Jesus is the ONE who gives the crown - & the crown is a mark of royal or (in general) exalted rank. -

The Greek word for "was given" also means offered, put or placed on the rider.

What is the rider's mission?

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TO RIDE FORTH

MEANING: to go or come out of... where one is said to have gone forth to do something & in the Thayer's Greek Lexicon it has the word (against)

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SEAL #2 | BLOODSHED

When He (the Lamb) broke the **second seal**, I heard the **second living creature** call out, "Come." And another, a **fiery red horse** [of bloodshed], came out; and its rider **was empowered to take peace from the earth, so that men would slaughter one another; and a great sword** [of war and violent death] **was given to him.**

THE SYMBOL: RED HORSE
THE AGRESSOR: MAN
THE MISSION: SLAUGHTER



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SEAL #2

the **second seal**
 John **heard** the **second** living creature
 a **fiery red horse** came out
 its rider **was empowered**
 to take peace, so that men would **slaughter one another**
 and a **great sword**
 was given to him.



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LUKE 21:8-9

He said, **“Be careful and see to it that you are not misled; for many will come in My name [appropriating for themselves the name Messiah which belongs to Me alone], saying, ‘I am He,’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not follow them. When you hear of wars and disturbances [civil unrest, revolts, uprisings], do not panic; for these things must take place first, but the end will not come immediately.”**

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SEAL #3 | FAMINE

When He (the Lamb) broke open the **third seal**, I heard the **third living creature** call out, **“Come.”** I looked, and behold, a **black horse** [of famine]; and the rider had **in his hand a pair of scales** (a balance). And I heard something like a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, **“A quart of wheat for a denarius (a day’s wages), and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not damage the oil and the wine.”**



**THE SYMBOL: BLACK HORSE
THE AGRESSOR: MAN
THE MISSION: FAMINE**

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SEAL #3

the **third seal**
 John **heard** the **third** living creature
 John **looked**, and behold, a **black**
 the rider had **in his hand a pair of scales**
 John I **heard something** like a voice in the midst
 saying, **“A quart of wheat for a denarius**
and three quarts of barley for a denarius
do not damage the oil and the wine.”



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MARK 13:8

For nation will rise up against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These things are the beginning of the birth pangs [the intolerable anguish and suffering].



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SEAL #4 | DEATH IN 4 WAYS

When He (the Lamb) broke open the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature call out, "Come." So I looked, and behold, an ashen (pale greenish gray) horse [like a corpse, representing death and pestilence]; and its rider's name was Death; and Hades (the realm of the dead) was following with him. They were given authority and power over a fourth part of the earth, to kill with the sword and with famine and with plague (pestilence, disease) and by the wild beasts of the earth.



**THE SYMBOL: ASHEN HORSE
THE AGRESSOR: MAN
THE MISSION: KILL**

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SEAL #4

the fourth seal
John heard the fourth living creature
John looked, and ashen (pale greenish gray) horse
its rider's name was Death; and Hades was following with him.
They were given authority and power
over a fourth part of the earth
to kill with the sword
with famine
with plague (pestilence, disease)
And wild beasts



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1 **2** **A Fourth**

3 **4**

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SEAL #5 | PERSECUTION & CRIES

When He (the Lamb) broke open the **fifth seal**, **I saw** underneath the altar **the souls** of those who had been **slaughtered because of the word of God**, and because of the **testimony which they had maintained [out of loyalty to Christ]**. They **cried in a loud voice**, saying, **“O Lord, holy and true, how long now before You will sit in judgment and avenge our blood on those [unregenerate ones] who dwell on the earth?”** Then they were **each given a white robe**; and they were told to **rest and wait** quietly for a little while longer, **until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers and sisters who were to be killed even as they had been, would be completed.**

TRIBULATION SAINTS

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SEAL #5 | PERSECUTION & CRIES

the **fifth seal**

John **saw** underneath the altar **the souls** **slaughtered because of the word of God** and because of the **testimony which they had maintained** **They cried in a loud voice**, saying, **“O Lord, holy and true, how long now before You will sit in judgment and avenge our blood on those [unregenerate ones] who dwell on the earth?”** they were **each given a white robe** they were told to **rest and wait** **until the number who were to be killed was completed.**

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SEAL #6 | TREMORS & TERROR

I looked when He (the Lamb) broke open the **sixth** seal, and there was a **great earthquake**; and the **sun** became **black** as sackcloth [made] of hair, and the whole **moon** became **like blood**; and the **stars** of the sky **fell to the earth**, like a fig tree shedding its late [summer] figs when shaken by a strong wind. **The sky was split** [separated from the land] and **rolled up** like a scroll, and every **mountain** and **island** were **dislodged and moved** out of their places.



THE SYMBOL: REAL
THE AGRESSOR: ENVIRONMENT
THE MISSION: HAVOC

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ISAIAH 2:10

Go among the rocks and hide in the dust
From the terror of the LORD and from the splendor of His
majesty.

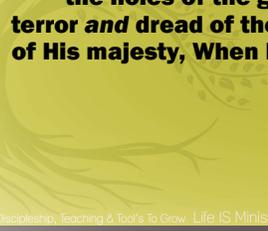


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ISAIAH 2:19

They [the stricken, deprived of all in which they had
trusted] will go into the caves of the rocks And into
the holes of the ground [fleeing] From the
terror and dread of the LORD And from the splendor
of His majesty, When He arises to terrify the earth.



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HAGGAI 2:6

For thus says the LORD of hosts, 'Once more, in a little while, I am going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land.

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JOEL 2:30-31

"I will show signs and wonders [displaying My power] in the heavens and on the earth, Blood and fire and columns of smoke.

"The sun will be turned into darkness And the moon into blood Before the great and terrible day of the LORD comes.

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ACTS 2:19-20

'AND I WILL BRING ABOUT WONDERS IN THE SKY ABOVE AND SIGNS (attesting miracles) ON THE EARTH BELOW, BLOOD AND FIRE AND SMOKING VAPOR.

'THE SUN SHALL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THE GREAT AND GLORIOUS DAY OF THE LORD COMES.

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ISAIAH 34:4

**All the host of heaven will be dissolved,
And the skies will be rolled up like a scroll;
All their hosts [the stars and the planets] will
also wither away
As a leaf withers from the vine,
And as a fig withers from the fig tree.**

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SEAL #6

I looked
the **sixth** seal
was a **great earthquake**
the **sun** became **black**
the whole **moon** became **like blood**
the **stars** of the sky **fell to the earth**
The sky was **split** and **rolled up**
every **mountain** and **island** were **dislodged and moved**



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THE UNBELIEVER

Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the military commanders and the wealthy and the strong and everyone, [whether] slave or free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; and they called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne, and from the [righteous] wrath and indignation of the Lamb; for the great day of their wrath and vengeance and retribution has come, and who is able to [face God and] stand [before the wrath of the Lamb]?"

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WRATH IS COMING

Who is able to [face God and stand [before the wrath of the Lamb]?"

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