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In this session we will cover Revelation chapters 6-7, and Matthew 24. I am excited for you to watch this session because it is one of my favorites. I think scripture is very clear and concise on when the gathering together, or what is commonly called the rapture, will occur!

Chapter 6

We will begin to break the seals but don't be distracted by the horses. The significance is not the horse and it's color but it's **rider** and what **they are coming to do**. Zechariah sees visions with colored horses, and here is what he was told when he asked what they were.

Zechariah 1:8 "I saw by night, and behold, a man riding on a **red horse**, and it stood among the myrtle trees in the hollow, and behind him were **horses: red, sorrel, and white**. Then I said, "My Lord, what are these?" So the angel who talked with me said to me, "I will show you what they are." And the man who stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, "These are the ones whom the LORD has sent to walk to and fro throughout the earth."

Zechariah 6:2-8 "With the first chariot were **red horses**, with the second chariot **black horses**, and with the third chariot **white horses**, and with the forth chariot **dappled horses** - strong steeds. Then I answered, and said to the the angel who talked with me, "What are these, my lord?" And the angel answered an said to me, "these are four spirits of heaven, who go out from their station before the Lord of all the earth."

In Chapter 6, the Lamb breaks the seals.

1st seal - **Deception**

2nd seal - **Wars**

3rd seal - **Famine**

4th seal - **Wide spread death**

5th seal - **Martyrs under the altar** (altar- Hebrews 8:3-5; Hebrews 9:23-28)

1. Martyred for the word of God and their testimony
2. They are asking God when will He avenge their blood on those who live on the earth, which means the previous 4 seals are not God's judgement on the earth.
3. They are told to **rest** a little while longer, **until** both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be **killed** as they were was complete.



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4. These souls are **not** in glorified bodies. They are resting and remembering past events. **Isaiah 65:17** “For I will create a new heaven and a new earth the past events will not be remembered or come to mind.”

Just a side note: In Genesis 4:9-11 “It records God speaking to Cain after he killed his brother Able. Read what God says to Cain, ‘Then He said, what have you done? **Your brother’s blood cries out to me from the ground!**’” I have read this my whole life not having a clue as to what it was talking about. After reading about these souls crying out for God to avenge them, I feel like we have some light shed on this verse to understand it better!

6th seal - **Cosmic Disturbances** (Everyone hiding from the wrath of God to come)

Chapter 7

Instead of us reading about the 7th seal being broken, John sees 2 others things that happen first:

1. 144,000 Jews are sealed on the earth (the angels were told not to harm the earth until they were sealed)
2. John also saw a **great multitude**, which no one could number, of every nation, tribe, people, and tongues, standing before the throne worshipping and serving Him. (they are in glorified bodies)

One of the 24 elders wants John to pay attention and understand **who and where** this great multitude came from and John was specifically told they came out of the great tribulation!!! **What is the great tribulation?** We find out in Matthew 24.



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Matthew 24

The disciples ask Jesus what would be the sign of His coming and of the end of the age? Jesus responds by telling them:

1. **Do not be deceived**
2. **Wars, the end is not yet**
3. **Famine**
4. **Pestilence, wide spread death**

All these (deception, war, famine, and pestilence) are the beginning of Birth pangs or sorrows, it will get worse! We women would for sure understand that the beginning birth pangs are not as painful as right before the birth!!!

5. **Martyrs** (Great Tribulation)

This time of martyrs is called the **great tribulation**. It begins when they see the Abomination of Desolation, and is cut short by Christ coming to gather His people to Him. This group that Christ gathers out of the great tribulation in Matthew 24 is the same group John sees in heaven before the throne after the 6th seal before the 7th in Revelation 7. Christ warns us to not be deceived by false prophets performing signs and wonders. We are to be looking for Christ in the sky as lightening comes (bright, very quick, and all will see Him)

6. **Cosmic Disturbances**

The Son of Man will be in the clouds and He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet to gather all the elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

I stated in the video that what John saw in Revelation was exactly what Jesus taught in Matthew 24, but we don't have a time frame of when these things happened. All we are told is that when you **see the Abomination of Desolations spoken of by Daniel** the prophet, flee to the mountains because then there will be a time of **great tribulation!** We must go to the book of Daniel and find out when the Abomination of Desolations takes place! We will do this next week.

Homework: Read Daniel 9:20-27