

Revelations in Revelation - 8

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Bible Text: Revelation 6:1-8...Matthew 24 04/13/22

Now tonight we're going to venture into the sixth chapter of Revelation, and we're going to find in the first eight verses we have a brief complete overview of the entire tribulation. And it lays out some incredible details of the events through these seven years. I think of how the Lord gives us these things of understanding, not that we show up unawares, we show up knowing. I just love that; this is how much He loves; this is for us, this isn't just talking about for others, this is what by the grace of God we are called and have been chosen to participate in. And I thank God, this is something that I would pray would be of wondrous and great interest to us; this precious unveiling. This is truly as we look into this as the Shulamite said, this is truly the honeymoon, this is the time praise God of that together, and you know I thank God that there'll be this beautiful moment of silence, but I'll tell you what, we're going to get going. There's things that He wants us to partake in and share, and it's so sweet that the beauty of yes. it's going to be a surprise even in what we know. Praise God? Hallelujah.

I think He shows that all time in the word of God, doesn't He? Amen. But these events of these eight verses, this seven-year period of time matter of fact it covers. I believe we're on the threshold of this, and I think we would all agree seeing the word of God in seeing it coming forth; at any moment this could break forth. There's a warning to us, and I say a warning, and yet an encouragement to us because we want to see Jesus. We want to see Jesus, I want to see Jesus, Sister Schrimsher wants to see Jesus and it's so wonderful, but in First Thessalonians Chapter Five, and this is a bible study, so be prepared. But in 1 Thessalonians 5:3 it says for when they, well, let's back up just one verse. In verse two, for yourselves know perfectly; this is about the coming of the Lord; that first trumpet rapture. That the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night, okay? So, it's just like when we were rejoicing on Sunday. That precious little colt that was on the back of it that was being towed along by the Lord. It's one of the things that the custom was that they partook in is that it would be at night. Then they would come, and take the bride and put her on that little ass foal colt, and take her away to the bridegroom's home. It's so gorgeous and it's always that awake in the night; He's coming as a thief in the night. And God willing even this Sunday you'll see that same theme come through, because it's the word of God, and it's never going to change. And the reason that it talks about the night is because most are asleep in the night, and the Lord wants us awake, and aware, and anticipating, and expecting in the night.

So, it says, for yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night, for when they shall say peace and safety then sudden destruction comes upon them as travail upon a woman with child, and they shall not escape. And I love this, but ye brethren are not in darkness that that day should overtake you as a thief. Huh? You know, so there's that great encouragement to always be awake; we're going to be right back there in just one second, so stay there, but before we do move on to studying these first eight verses and jumping into the

sadness, and really the horror of this time it's going to be, we need to encourage our hearts always, and this fifth chapter does encourage our hearts. This encouragement that we are of the day, that we shouldn't be drunken in the night, and that that's not meant for us. That's not meant for us, is it? Praise the Lord. What's meant for us is we're born lord of all. We're born and to reign, and to fully rule and reign; that's the godly D & A that every one of His children have. That's what He sees for us, He wants us to grow up in the full capacity of what he knows is there. As parents you want that for your own children, how much more so does God want that for us? Because He knows what life we have, we all got the same life, the life of His only begotten Son, isn't that amazing? We have the life of Christ in us that has all that; all that fullness right there that just to grow up in the fullness of it, and how marvelous that is.

I think about what God did not appoint. Think about hell itself; hell was not made for man, hell was created for those fallen angels, but God knew it would be used for those that wouldn't believe, but it wasn't for that intended purpose, because the Lord said I would that all men be saved. So, if all men are to be saved that wasn't intended for them. But once again you have to reject everything about Jesus, and about the plan of God, and about the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world to actually to enter into that hell that was not prepared for man. Isn't that something? Well, did you know that the tribulation as well too is not something, or in a sense is not prepared for us in this day, and this age to enter into? And it's the truth. If you go down here in chapter five of First Thessalonians, it says in verse eight as we read about being awake, and being expecting, it says but let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate; I love this. Everything even in verse eight is right there. Putting on the breastplate of faith and love. Isn't that gorgeous? See, it's the believing, but then there's that love, that without that love that faith profits nothing. That faith and love, and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

And I want you to think about again, who's saying this? Who's writing it, this is the Apostle Paul, and he's putting himself right here into this; let us, let us. He didn't just take it for granted, he knew that this was fighting the good fight of faith. This was fighting that good fight with that purpose of finishing with a full joy. You can have faith, but without love you ain't joyous. You understand that, right? I pray we do. Without joy, and without love let me tell you something, there ain't going to be no joy, there isn't. You can have all the knowledge, you can have all the wisdom, you can speak with a lot of pretty stuff, but you don't have that love, you've missed it. So, it says there putting on faith and love and the helmet, the hope of salvation, isn't that something. You think about Paul saying this, was Paul hoping to be saved? Was Paul hoping to be found in heaven. No, that wasn't the hope of salvation he had, we know that. Matter of fact the next verse tells us what that hope was, and what that salvation he was looking for. So here it is everyone, every Christian should know this. God hath not appointed us; Paul putting himself right there to wrath, and that word wrath translates the tribulation, that seven years. To even go into that tribulation time, we were not appointed for that, that wasn't intended for us, but rather to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ. And so, we understand and know this, that again this is Paul speaking here and he's not hoping to obtain salvation meaning the blood of the Lord, and that; he's already saved, he already knows to be absent from the body is to be present with the

Lord; all of these things. He's believing right here that he was going to live to the coming of the Lord. And that he was believing right there that because of this wonderful faith and love, and the helmet of salvation that gives me that hope.

Praise be to God I'm not stepping into that tribulation time one second. I'm out of here, and that's why it's found in the fifth chapter everyone is because it preps you before you even get to that point. DON'T BE ASLEEP IN THE NIGHT. The Lord's coming, that day of the Lord's about to begin. We need to be alert, we need to be alive, and we need to be awake. But if we choose not to, if we choose to be asleep to these things you're going to awaken, but it's going to be too late. And what could have been? We do not want to step into this one bit.

Now, let's go on back over here to Revelation Six, and let's read the first eight verses. It says and I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the voice of thunder. Now notice that, the Lamb opened one of the seals. Amen? And as it were the noise of thunder, and one of the four beasts saying, Come. The words "and see" are italicized or added which is **come**. You're going to come; you're going to see this. You're going to be present at it, hallelujah. Now you think about again this oneness of the Lamb, and here are the four beasts, right? As the judgments start to pour out, and here they begin, who are the two? You see what I'm saying? Jesus and His wife. This is it, here it comes. He wasn't kidding when He said as children we're heirs of God, and joint heirs together with Jesus Christ, if so be ye suffer with Him; this is it, this is it, praise the Lord. And he says I saw, and behold a white horse, and here's the first thing we see, and He that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer. And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast. So, we had the first beast, and now we got the second beast say come. And there went out another horse *that was* red: and *power* was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword. Alright? And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hands. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, a measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and *see* thou hurt not the oil and the wine. And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come. And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, Hell followed him, and power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

So, in all of those instances of every seal, it's the Lamb that opens it, and it's the four living ones that bring forth the judgment. Praise be to God. We're going to see that over, and over; the commanding and rule jointly together, and we're going to see that over and over throughout this study, because all of Revelation is about that. This unveiling is about Christ Jesus and His bride. This is about what that oneness, and what they will do jointly together. And you notice there that the voice was like thunder; isn't that gorgeous? Do you remember the thunder and lightnings all the way back from Ezekiel when we saw the four living ones there, and into Isaiah as well too.

The seraphim, you see all of that beautiful encouragement, and here it is again, the voice of thunder. You know who also has the voice of thunder? The Lord does. It speaks of His voice in that thundering manner, and why would it not be? They have the same voice; she speaks in the encouragement of Him, she moves with Him, and it's always just come. Praise God. It's ordered and it's directed praise be to God, and brought forth as it shows here especially by His wife.

And we will notice as we go along here too, each one of the beasts brings forth each one of the seals that are open, and the first one is the first beast, and if you think back, the order of the beast we have the lion, we have the ox, we have the man, and we have the eagle. So, we had this first beast which would be the lion, or this kingly one that starts this off, and we'll address that at the end when we finish this up. Now I want you to have a finger tonight as well too in Matthew Twenty-four. So put your finger there or a marker of whatever because we're going to be going back and forth, and I got me a little mark there for that, so as we see this, because the events of Revelation Six, you'll find them in Matthew Twenty-four. And Matthew Twenty-four is the part where Jesus' disciples, they come and ask Him Lord, when is going to be the end of the world? And so, Jesus expresses to them, and He tells them these things, and in that little brief synopsis every bit of what Jesus is telling them is found here in this first eight verses of Revelation Six. So, it's just an encouragement to go back and forth and to see how the word again it's been revealed, but then it gets completely made known, and again it's by His Spirit, and that is so wonderful.

So, what we have here as we start this, is in verse five of Matthew Twenty-four, let's go over there in verse five of Matthew Twenty-four because it says in verse four, and Jesus answered and said unto them, take ye that no man deceive you and here's the very first that's going to happen. Many shall come in My name saying I am Christ, and shall deceive many. Now brothers and sisters, that spirit of antichrist is already here. Alright? That worshipping of the creation more than the creator, it's coming forth and it's growing more abundant all the time. Everything is about man, and nothing anymore is about God. And it's very sad, we see that in I will say; I mean you see it in the governments, you see it in the policies, you see it in the schools, you see it in all these different things. It's a continuing a turning away from the things of God, despairing the things of God, making the things of God as the things that are the despicable things. And then the things that man can make, and man can magnify, and man can think of his own; those are the things that they're magnifying. We're seeing the complete descent in all of Romans One. It's just getting faster and faster; it's accelerating into this abyss of evil, and don't despair because God said it would be, He said the evil of man would wax worse and worse so the word of God is right in check. This is not out of control, and so, we can honestly say and agree, brothers and sisters we're right here, we're right at this cusp and what's going to happen right after that trumpet sounds, we're going to have a one on a white horse that comes in, alright? And you think about this one that comes in on a white horse that begins to captivate all of these things, and to captivate one. And it says a white horse, and he that sat on him had a bow and a crown was given unto him, and he went forth conquering, and to conquer. So, that's an interesting kind of dichotomy right there, is you have this one that's bringing in this form of peace as strength. You

notice here that it's a bow but it doesn't have any arrows so it doesn't seem like it's something that's going to be you know, forceful and all that, but yet the whole focus of that is to conquer, alright? I also see this that there is a real need, and an enamoring to the public, and to the world; we need peace.

Now we've had this before, don't you get me wrong. The Lord always shows you that we've accelerated more and more as a people that the cry is almost continually peace. Well, we just read when they cry peace and safety, then sudden destruction. Alright? So, believe that the Lord is telling us, and showing us as these things begin to come upon the world, and especially as this white horse comes forth. We're going to be in some pretty awful times. I don't know if you've noticed, we're in some pretty awful times, and these times are getting more pressing all the time and people are looking for answers, and man just naturally when they depart from God, they want to put up a man. Israel did the same thing, God was over them; God gave them everything, and here He come to old Samuel and well, we need a king. Well, He says why do you need a king? God takes care of you. Well, we got to be like everybody else, and God gave them one, didn't He? I think those are God's people in that. Now we're talking about man itself, and when man gets that just dessert of turning from God, oh what a man they will be given. Matter of fact it'll be a man, the son of perdition; the antichrist, and this is setting this up, and so what comes in on the scene is there's this union if you will. It is going to be from a tumultuous time that here comes this antichrist that is presented.

Now, power is not yet given to him right at the first. Alright? The word of God tells us this, it's going to be more of an association or a legion of peace, and it's coming in a very, very subtle way. Daniel Chapter Nine, I believe it's verse twenty-seven tells us that at the very beginning of the tribulation the antichrist will be the one; that antichrist will be the deal. If you look into the word of God at this time it'll be known, that son of perdition will be known and so, but he comes forth and somehow, he is able to go to the Jew, and in Israel, and he'll allow them to make that sacrifice upon that holy mount, which they cannot make today because of the tension, and the different places that the Muslims has as opposed to the Jew, and so at that time the Jew will be allowed to do their sacrifice there. And there will be an agreement that will be made, and it'll go for seven years, but at the three- and a half-year mark that's the mark when we enter into the great tribulation. It'll be at that moment that that antichrist will put that down, and present and elevate himself as God; yes, he will. And I'll tell you what there'll be a great following after, and we'll talk about why here in a moment that they'll wonder after that beast. They'll be memorized about that beast. God, if He wasn't so faithful even the elect would be deceived. Isn't that something?

See, we need to know the word of God. We really need to be looking into the word of God, and we need to believe the word of God quickly. We don't have time; we need to believe the word of God quickly. I think of how the Lord's bringing all of these different sermons together too. I just thank Him so much for His faithfulness. He's just such a mighty lover of our souls, but here we go. He's going to conquer with peace, and so that's what's going to be offered at the

time, and again God shows us these things. You think about the peace accord, the peace agreement, the weapon reductions, you know the pollution reductions; all of these things are supposed to bring peace. Longevity, all of these different things, and all this will do is continue to conquer the people, and you see it happening. Alright? So, we don't have to talk about a conspiracy theory folks, we don't. Alright? This is the word of God; it tells us everything; a man can go and conspire all they want, God has already appointed the wicked for the day of evil, always has, always does, and always will. So, we do not need to worry.

So then, from this peace and plenty, and all of this crying we come immediately to sudden destruction, so you notice it was a white horse we didn't get the different colors, and then all this, no, we went right from white to red; blood, destruction, and verse three says it right there. And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast come, and there went out another horse that was red and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another, and there was given unto him a great sword. My oh my, so this verse here it is this encouragement to us that I'll tell you, it was a false peace alliance, wasn't it? And what happens at this moment, and we're going to get into this now here, is this is when the antichrist. See, basically there's seven heads on this beast, and then there's ten crowns. Alright? And so, you're going to see that one of these basically is going to break all that peace, and this is going to be that antichrist. And that power is going to be given unto him to do this, and that's when this is going to break forth.

Now turn on over to Second Thessalonians Chapter Two, and we'll read verses three and four. And here again it says let no man deceive you by any means: *for that day shall not come* except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition. I think even reading that verse, how could people ever think that there's going to be this world revival right now? And see, that's what I say; you are just ignoring the word of God. And don't disagree with the word of God, just believe the word of God; it says what it says, and this is what it is. There's going to be a falling away first, and we see the falling away. You know, they were even talking about this covid that happened, how many less people come to church? And I'm not saying that people came to church and heard the word of God, but there were a lot of churches where people heard the word of God. And so now, they don't even come anymore their attendance is way low, so that's just another hit to in a sense people coming to hear the word of God. So, we see these things coming to pass, but there must be a falling away first, and then that man of sin be revealed. So, in that here comes the revelation, or this introduction of the antichrist. And it says who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sits in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. That's what the antichrist is going to do, that's what this whole system will bring forth, is this will be this complete absolute abomination that will reject everything about the blood of the Lamb.

Now, going back over to Matthew Twenty-four, and what we have here in this second seal is right here seen in Matt 24:6. And it says and you shall hear of wars, and rumors of wars, see that ye be not troubled for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. Now

the things that are going to be encouragement to my heart is people that will still at least have the word of God, the ones that will be at this time, and as this you know gets to going here, and there's going to people that are saved as we know even throughout that great tribulation time. The word of God's still the comfort, amen? So, we're so thankful to the Lord, and we're going to read some more things about they are comforted and its beautiful, but the comfort just like our comfort today is always in the word of God. So, this is the fulfillment of where we started tonight of 1 Thes 5:3 where it says when they shall cry peace and safety, then sudden destruction. So, as we just move into the second seal, and as we move into this verse six of Matthew Twenty-four, we're moving into the fulfillment of the sudden destruction; it's coming forth.

Now, turn on over the Revelation Seventeen, and let's read a little bit tonight about this introduction of the antichrist. We'll read a lot tonight. We'll go back over and get into more details, but just to get a really good overview of what we're speaking of here. It says, and there came out of the seven angels which had the seven vials and talked with me saying come hither, I will show unto you the judgment of the great whore that sits upon many waters. As we talk about this great whore, this is this religious system that comes and basically is ruling in dominance at this time. Then basically this Jezebel that takes all of the kings, and really all of the religions of the world and gets them to commit fornication with her, it makes it this picture that there's this adulterous bed if you will that she infects and gives this disease that she shares with all of them. And they come under this spell, and they give all power, and this beast takes this power. With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. So, he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness, and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet-colored beast full of names of blasphemy, even seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, and having a golden cup in her hand of abominations and filthiness of her fornication. Now, just from that description right there, you can get a lot of visuals of most likely what, who, and what this system is. A lot of the major religions of this world today sit and fall into that and they're all going to come together, and they're going to give that power to this system that will be part of the antichrist that will be part of this entirety that will come forth and take over the world but for God, amen. And it says here, and upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. So, every abominable thing is being presented in this horrible beast, and this woman that rides her.

Now I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration. Now I can tell you, there have been major religions of the world whether it's Catholicism, whether it's the Muslims that have already went gone forth and for centuries have killed the saints, and went after them. I'm very sad to say that but it's very much of the truth, and a fact. And so, this is something that I think God gives us foreshadows of these things that we see. And so, it says as it goes on there in verse seven and the angel said unto me, wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carries her, which hath the seven heads and the ten horns. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell upon the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they beheld the beast that was, that is

not, and yet is. So, what this beast is, and we're going to read about this in a minute. The antichrist receives the mortal wound basically in the head; dead, alright? But rises again after those three days, so all of this embodiment, and again this is God allowing this to happen; this is absolutely God's perfect will coming forth that this absolute judgment is going to come forth upon this earth, and it's going to be perfect in each judgment. And this is what is going to turn the world, and even turn those kingdoms that are part of this beast in all of those crowns; it's going to be a bloody sight. You know it is; nobody just gives up for nothing, but I will tell you this, they're going to give all power to that beast. And you think about it, if you didn't know the Lord, and somebody really died here, and you knew they were a powerful figure, and they were dead, and they rose back to life in three days let me tell you something, you'd be wondering. Oh yes you would, don't you think you wouldn't. But for God and His grace you'd be right there.

And so, this is where the Lord knows what He's doing, and this is how quickly He's going to gather that in. And we see the things that the Lord is shown us. I mean not even with something you know, this big or whatever, think of how the world gets swooned into things so quickly. I mean really, man's just made you want to believe, we just want to believe except for God. But that's how we're geared, we're geared to believe or to trust in something. And you can see that, especially God and His faithfulness has shown how people can be so enamored, and so duped so quickly, and conditioned to what they would want to hear that they'll just march right off a cliff. Alright? And so, it's just that way. Man's always been that way, but God seems to be showing us more and more, those that know the word of God this is the way it's going. But understand this thing: nothing's going to prevent this. My fight and my stand is not to stand against the world, my stand is in truth, my stand is in grace. My hope is not to save this world from things, my hope praise God is tonight, Jesus, come call me. And so, this is where he tells us these things and all this, but my plight is not to fight, and to somehow change this world. This world, let me tell you something, not only is it going to be changed, we're going to get a new one. So, and I know Who's going to do that, and He tells me here, so, we see this.

Now reading on here in verse nine, and here *is* the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sits, and there are seven kings: five are fallen, one is, *and* the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, and is, is the eighth. So, see, he was part of the seven, but then he dies and when he comes back, so we got to call him the eighth and that's why. And then that's the one, and it says and then the ten horns which thou saw are the ten kings which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. They have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. They shall make war with the Lamb. Isn't that something? So, all of this is concentrated, consolidated, and it's all that power that's given to that beast, and they will make war with the Lamb, and here it is. This is how hard that battle was, and the Lamb shall overcome them. It doesn't have to talk about anybody; it's just DONE, it's that's over. For He is Lord of Lords, King of kings, and they that are with Him are called, and chosen, and faithful praise be to God. So, such a beautiful thing we see.

Now let's go on over to Revelation Thirteen. Let's read a little bit more about this, and we see here, this is the beast that comes out of the sea. Now I don't want to get into this too much.

You know there's talk about is the antichrist, and then the false prophet you know; are they Gentile, or are they Jew? There's many things in the word of God that encourage us in different ways. The antichrist it says is most likely of Roman descent because of the destruction of the temple by the Romans, but brothers and sisters, without the Lord just coming out and telling all these things. I don't like to venture into things too much to get into you know, my spiritual connecting of dots of what I think might be. I'd rather just stay with what the Lord wants us to know. There's some beautiful thoughts there. They might be there that the false prophet might be of Jew descent, but I don't know. In a sense surely in that, there's a good chance there is because of all these things, but I know God doesn't need that to happen that way. When God's going to allow that power to be, He's going to do it just like that in an instant, and we don't have to figure out how that's going to work; the Lord'll do it.

Now, in chapter thirteen let's go ahead and read from verse one. And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and I saw a beast rise out of the sea, having seven heads, ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. So, when you see that "sea," this is Gentile, alright? So, remember that, so this is this whole collection of Gentiles in a sense that's being combined here, and all of this power, and it comes out of the sea. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard; these things are spoken of in Daniel, and we can go back in and study these. And there were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth was the mouth of a lion: and the dragon, or the devil gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death. Here is that wound to death of that antichrist. And his deadly wound was healed: and all the world; not some of the world, all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast. So, it's not only they're following the beast, they're worshipping the devil. Oh yeah; oooh yes.

Now, there's people that's worshipping the devil right now, and they don't recognize they're worshipping the devil, but that's who the prince and the power of this air is; is Satan, Lucifer himself. And we know we are either of God, or we're of mammon. We're either alive, or we're dead, so this isn't hard to see. But they worship the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast saying, who *is* likened to the beast? who is able to make war with him? Oh my, they just put him on a pedestal; it's pitiful. And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies. Isn't it amazing everything's judged by speeches anymore; how'd they talk, how'd that rate? Nobody even cares what anybody does, how did they look? So pitiful, I think about our Lord, He didn't look very good, did He? There's nothing of Him that you'd go after, there's nothing you that you'd be admired of Him; just nothing. Nothing in any way, shape, or form. But oh my, oh my what He is coming to do. Hallelujah, and what He finished. Praise God.

Now, so verse six. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints. You see, he's coming to make war with the saints, and to overcome them. And I want you to think whose turn is it at this time, and we've been studying this. At this time when the antichrist completely comes forth in that fulness, the church is gone. The church has been raptured, so you've got out of here the bride, you've got the innumerable multitude and the

hundred and forty-four thousand; they're in heaven. So, we know that this force that's coming forth God turns, and He's dealing with Israel again. These are those Jews that are coming to take Him as Saviour. And that's why this turn is coming against Israel especially in this way is because God's chosen people is being made known that they're His people, and they know now that they are His people; that's the beauty of it. That's their Lord, they've come to know Him, and those are the ones that'll come into that precious salvation with Him; it'll be the majority of them, that's why their song, those that are destroyed there; I shouldn't say destroyed but are killed that are under the altar. Remember we read about them in chapter seven? It says that their song was the song of Moses? Yeah, this is why they're turned. Sure, they hated the Jew, but let me tell you something; they crucified Jesus, and everything's a blasphemy against God. So, it's exciting, and it's going to be beautiful, hallelujah. So, it was given to him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them, and power was given unto him against all kindreds, and tongues, and nations and all; notice the all that dwelt upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. You don't think He knows who they are? See, He already knows who they are even that'll come to know Him in this end time of the tribulation. It's so beautiful, and the peace of God that passes all understanding.

Now, as we wrap this up tonight. This results in the third seal, so let's go back and read the third seal. So, the antichrist comes forth, we are now into the last half of the tribulation which is the last three-and-a-half years of the seven, and this is known as the great tribulation time, and in verses five and six here comes the third seal is open. I heard the third beast say come, and I beheld a black horse, and he that set on him had a pair of balances in his hands, and I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say a measure of wheat for a penny, three measures of barley for a penny, and see thou hurt not the oil and wine. If you think we've got inflation, and things cost now, you haven't seen anything yet. A penny represented basically a man's wages at that time; a day laborer. Alright? And in this you could maybe buy a loaf of bread. So, it's a very time of famine. It's going to be a horrible thing, but that's what war brings about; we see these people in Ukraine. A lot of the death now that's going forth is starvation; it's starving people to death, and that's what happens from war. And so, these are the things that are going on God shows us, and the word of God says in Mark Thirteen; turn on over there. It says except these days be shortened there would be no flesh left upon the earth. See, we have a seven-year tribulation time, that seven years is shortened by two hundred and fifty days; that two hundred and fifty days saves mankind, or they'd be all gone. You know when the Lord talks about the third part of man, and the fourth part, and all of this? He's not kidding, it will be. Don't put this past, my heart hurts for the things that are happening all over the world, and obviously we have this newest one there in Ukraine, and the things of that nature. Think of how quickly that happened, and nobody could even believe it happened. Why, why, why, why? Because war is in the heart of man. They're never going to get so smart that they're not going to have war. Matter of fact we're going to have more war, and they're going to have bigger war, and all of these things that they develop are just going to be for a bigger, more bloody, more horrible war that eventually God will have to stop, or there won't be anybody left, and that's the word of the Lord.

So, in Mark Thirteen, let's read nineteen. It says, for in those days. This is again that part where they're asking about the end of the world as well in the tribulation time, and in those days shall be affliction such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created until this

time, neither shall be. So, you think of the wars, you think of the horrible stuff that we've seen all throughout man's existence. Think of the holocaust, you think about these horrible Pol Pot, all of these vicious leaders that have been and killed when this Stalin and all these different ones. It's not even to be compared with what's coming. It says except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved. But for the elect's sake whom He had chosen, He has shortened those days. So, see the ones that will go into the millennial time, alright? The reason the Lord shortens those days, He's not going to send a sinner over into that time, He's doing it for the elect's sake. Those ones that go on into the millennium, let me tell you something, they're going to know the Lord. And that's going to be Israel that's going to be set up to speak to the whole world to continue to testify, and to lead people to Jesus. That's just so beautiful. But it says, for the elect's sake He hath chosen He has shortened those days. And then if any man shall say to you lo, where is Christ, or lo He is there, believe him not for false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall show signs and wonders to seduce if it were possible even the elect. Think of how Christians are so deceived even at this time. The only reason that we're not; let this mind be in you. Let this mind be in you, and so God help us to continue.

Now, this seal spoken of here, go back to Matt 24:7. Here we have really the third and the fourth seal. As it says here in verse seven of Matthew Twenty-four, for nation shall rise against nation, kingdom against kingdom, and there shall be famines, pestilence, earthquakes in divers places, and these are the beginning of sorrows. So right there what we have is the including of the fourth seal, so let's go back and read that in Revelation, and this'll kind of finish out our study tonight in chapter six there, and let's read from verse seven and eight. And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say come. I looked, and behold a pale horse and his name that sat upon him Death, and hell followed with him, and power was given unto him over the fourth part of the earth to kill with the sword, with hunger, with death, and with the beasts of the earth. You know, the Lord talks about that two-hundred-million-man army that's going to be coming down in that valley where Armageddon is; it's real. That bloods going to flow to the horse's bridal; that's real. All of those things will come forth. So, what we study tonight in those eight verses is really the complete judgment time of the entirety of the tribulation. As we close tonight, I want you to think about the four beasts that came upon to after the seals were opened, they were the ones that brought forth that part. And each one noticed it's the exact opposite because we're talking about the antichrist, aren't we? Everything was about the antichrist. Everything is anti to everything about the Lord, and everything about the Lord are the four living ones. Amen.

So, think of this. The very first beast was the lion, or the king, right? That first beast, that seal that came forth brought forth the false king; the white horse, that peace that entered the introduction of the antichrist. The second beast is the ox. That was the sacrifice Jesus Christ that brought forth life, praise the Lord. But what brought forth was not life, what was brought forth in the second seal was the red horse which was death. That's right, so see, it was opposite again. The third beast is seen as a man. The man Jesus brought forth peace. That third beast was the third horseman on there was the black horse that brought forth the famine, and the chaos and not peace. It was completely opposite. Finally, the fourth is the eagle that brought forth overcoming victory; that's our Christ that did that. But yet what was brought was the pale horse was the complete ending destruction of Armageddon. Everything's completely opposite. Isn't

that something? See, that's the antichrist, but yet the world wonders after that. God gave them strong delusion that they would believe a lie, and we see it. And God willing we'll see more of these details as we go forth, but tonight let's go away and say thank You Jesus; You have not appointed us to this. You have not at all, we have been called, chosen, faithful, and by the grace of God to judge over it, and aren't you thankful you know. And as we go into that I'm sure one of the praises of our hearts will be maybe; I do believe. Do you remember as we're on our horses? Do you remember studying that on Wednesday night? Do ya? I think kings'll do just like that. I remember looking in your eyes, and you remember looking in mine. Amen? Amen. Let's stand and be dismissed.