

## Message Notes:

### Series: How close are we to the end?

#### Message Five: Times, Troubles, and Tribulation: Part Two

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Rev. 6: 2-These four horsemen of the Apocalypse bring severe judgment under the control and plan of God

They are referenced in **Zachariah 1: 7-17**

Horses represent God's activity on earth, the forces He uses to accomplish His divine purposes.

6:2 rider on white horse represents bloodless conquest: false p\_\_\_\_\_ and s\_\_\_\_\_

**Dan 9:26-7** says that the Anti-Christ will come as a peacemaker with Israel making a covenant with Israel which he breaks midway through

The Tribulation begins with a false deceptive peace together with a counterfeit spirituality and false religion

**1 Thess. 5:3**

**Matt 24: 4-5**

**6: 3-4:** Rider on a red horse who shatters this false peace the antichrist brought about initially

**Matt 24: 6-7**

**6: 5-6:** Black horse = symbol of poverty/famine that comes as a result of this intense warfare  
Scales=severe i\_\_\_\_\_ and pervasive s\_\_\_\_\_

**6:7-8:** Ashen horse: a color representing sickly color of i\_\_\_\_\_ and d\_\_\_\_\_ - a color representing a rotting sort of green

**Matt 24: 7-9**

**Zeph 1: 17**

**Mark 13: 20** says that God places a limit on the period of the Tribulation out of a sense of mercy.

**6: 9-11:** The church having been raptured before the start of the Tribulation and taken to heaven does not mean that some people do not come to Christ during the Tribulation on earth

**“Underneath the altar”** = lives given for the sake of the gospel- they plea to God to deal with evil once and for all

**Martyrs** = witness -they were slain by the enemy because of their witness to the truth of God and the message of Jesus Christ.

In spite of all this, people still choose not to repent and submit their hearts to God. They pray to the rocks rather than to God.

It is a scene of never before experienced catastrophe and disaster in which people are all looking for a crevice to hide in.

**Joel 2: 1, 10**

**Joel 2: 12-13**

The point is this: the person who thinks that they can live their life the way they want and get away with it is a fool.

**2 Peter 2: 4-6**

**Matt 24: 30**

## SMALL GROUP LESSON

### LOOK BACK:

Think about the first day after the rapture-what will people be thinking, experiencing, saying?

### LOOK UP:

One: Four horses are released by God to bring judgment upon humanity-how will people react to what God sends upon them?

Two: Why do people harden their hearts toward God?

Three: How does what people will go through during the Tribulation move you to make sure your friends, family, neighbors, peers, and co-workers escape this judgment of God?

### LOOK FORWARD:

How did you do so far praying for your 5 spiritually lost friends/family members and sharing Jesus with them?

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