**SEVEN SEALS (6:1-8:1)**

1. WHITE HORSE: (6:2; 19:11)

2. FIERY HORSE: takes peace from the earth, great sword (6:3-4; Matt. 10:34).

3. BLACK HORSE: inflation of grain prices (6:5-6) (ca. 10x more than normal)

4. PALE GREEN HORSE: ¼ earth killed by 4 plagues (6:7-8; Ezek. 14:21)

5. 5th Seal: Martyrs at altar cry for judgment and vengeance (6:9-11)

6. 6th Seal:

• Great Earthquake (6:12: THEOPHANY)

• Sun black, moon blood, stars shaken and fall (6:12-13)

• Heaven split as scroll (6:14)

• Mountains and islands removed (6:14; 16:20)

• kings, magistrates, chiliarchs, rich, mighty men, every slave, and free hide from Enthroned and from wrath of Lamb. (6:15-16; 19:18; Ezek. 39:20; Psalm 2)

• The Great Day of Their Wrath has come (6:12-17)

INTERLUDE (7:1-17)

• Another angel ascends from East

• “After this I saw” angels seal 144,000 from 12 tribes (7:1-8) - earthly

• “After these things I saw” innumerable multitude of Abraham’s children come for heavenly Feast of Booths (7:9-17; 12:10; 19:1; Gen. 15:5; Lev. 23:39-43; John 12:13; Psalm 118)

• Spring of water of life; God wipes their tears (7:17 21:4)

7. 7th Seal: Silence about ½ hour (8:1-6; Zech. 2:13; Zeph. 1:7)

• 7 Angels given Trumpets (8:2)

• Prayers of the saints thrown to earth, then:

• THEOPHANY:

[a] thunders

[b] voices

[c] lightnings

[d] earthquake (8:5; 11:19; 16:18-21)

• 7 Angels prepared to blow trumpets (8:6).

**SEVEN TRUMPETS (8:7-11:19)
(of warning: Ezek. 33:3-4; War 1 Cor. 14:8)**

1. EARTH burned; hail, fire-blood; 1/3 of earth dies (8:7)

2. SEA to blood; 1/3 of sea life dies (8:8-9)

3. RIVERS & SPRINGS bitter, many die; 1/3 of waters bitter (8:10-11)

4. 1/3 of SUN, 1/3 of moon, 1/3 of stars darkened (8:12-13)

• Vulture in mid-heaven and 3 woes (8:13).

5. 5th Trumpet / First Woe (9:1-12)

• Apollyon has key (9:1, 11)

• Opens Abyss (9:2; 11:7; 17:8; 20:1, 3, 7)

• Smoke, sun and air darkened (9:2)

• Torments men with scorpions/locusts 5 months (9:3-10; Jer. 51:27; Joel 2)

• Men refuse to repent (9:20-21; 16:9, 21)

6. 6th Trumpet / Second Woe (9:13-21; 11:14)

• 4 angels of Euphrates

• 1/3 of men die by fire, smoke, & brimstone

INTERLUDE (10:1-11:14)

• Another Strong Angel descends; swears to no more delay (10:1-6; Deut. 32:40-43; Dan. 12:7)

• Christ: cloud (1:7; Dan. 7:13); rainbow (4:3); face like sun (1:16; 21:23);legs like fiery pillars (Ex. 13:21-22; 14:24 - pillar of fire); roar like lion (of Judah, 5:5); opened scroll (5:4-5); my two witnesses (11:3; “Antipas my faithful witness” 2:13)

• The end of God’s mystery as preached through prophets (10:7)

• John’s prophetic commission confirmed (10:8-11)

• Measurement of temple, altar, and worshippers (11:1-2; 6:9; 21:15-17)

• Outer court trod by nations 42 months (11:2; 13:5)

• Two witnesses prophecy judgment 1,260 days (11:3-6; 12:6)

• Beast from Abyss kills witnesses 3½ hours (11:7-10)

• “Come up here” to witnesses (11:11-12)

• Great earthquake, 1/10th of city, 7,000 die, many repent (11:13)

• 2nd woe past, 3rd coming quickly (11:14)

7. 7th Trumpet / (Third Woe) (11:15-19)

• Praise: world has become Kingdom of God and of his Messiah (Ps 2:2; 11:17; 16:5; 1:4, 8; 4:8)

• Wrath has come; judgment of the dead

• Reward for prophets, saints, and god-fearers

• Heavenly Temple opened with ark of covenant (11:19; 15:5)

• THEOPHANY:

[c] lightnings

[b] voices

[a] thunders

[d] earthquake (6:12)

[e] great hail (11:19; 8:5; 16:18-21)

**SEVEN BOWLS (15:1-16:21)**

***INTERLUDE • HYMNIC INTRODUCTION* (15:1-16:1)**

• 7 Angels with 7 last plagues because wrath “terminated in them” (15:1)

• Victors over beast and his image sing song of Moses and song of the Lamb (15:2-

4)

• “After these things I saw”: Heavenly Temple (15:5;11:19) of the tabernacle of the testimony, 7 Angels with bowls full of God’s wrath, no one able to enter the temple until plagues finished (15:5-16:1)

1. EARTH: sores on beast-worshippers (16:2)

2. SEA: become blood; all sea life dies (16:3)

3. RIVERS & SPRINGS: become blood (16:4-7)

• Persecutors of martyrs given blood to drink in righteous judgment

• “The One who was” (not “is to come; 16:5-7;11:17)

4. SUN: scorches men, yet they don’t repent (16:8-9)

5. 5th Bowl: Throne of Beast, his kingdom darkened, pain and sores

• Men refuse to repent (16:9-21; 9:18, 20)

6. 6th Bowl: Euphrates dried for kings of East (16:12-14, 16)

• Dragon, Beast, False-Prophet send 3 unclean spirits from mouth on kings

• The great day of God at Har-Magedon (16:14, 16)

INTERLUDE (16:15)

• “Behold, I am coming as a thief.”

• 3rd Beatitude: Blessing for one who watches and is not naked (16:15)

7. 7th Bowl upon air (16:17-21)

• Voice from temple says, “It is done” (16:17)

• THEOPHANY:

[c] lightnings

[b] voices

[a] thunders

[d] earthquake like no other, great city in thirds, cities fall (16:18-19)

• Babylon given cup of wrath

• Every island flees, mountains not found (16:20; 6:14) huge hailstones, yet men blaspheme (16:21).