

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for May 16, 2010

“The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse”
Revelation 6:1-8

Now as we come to Revelation chapter 6, the focus shifts from worship to judgment as chapters 6-18 deal with end time events associated with a time of God’s judgment known as the Tribulation Period.

What picture of future events does John witness and describe for us?

With the breaking of the first seal, John sees a rider on a white horse representing a conquering through deception (Revelation 6:1-2; Matthew 24:5; Daniel 9:24-27).

With the breaking of the second seal, John sees a rider on a red horse representing war (Revelation 6:3-4; Matthew 24:6-7; Ezekiel 38-39)

With the breaking of the third seal, John sees a rider on a black horse representing famine (Revelation 6:5-6; Matthew 24:7).

With the breaking of the fourth seal, John sees a rider on a pale horse representing death (Revelation 6:7-8; Matthew 24:7).

What should be our response as believers in light of these future events?

A knowledge of these future events should remind us of God’s sovereignty (Isaiah 40:12-26; Psalm 2:1-12).

A knowledge of these future events should also provide us with comfort and hope (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Titus 2:13).

Lastly, a knowledge of these future events should compel us toward godly living (1 Corinthians 15:51-58; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Titus 2:11-13; 2 Peter 3:14; 1 John 3:2-3).

As believers in Christ, may we be reminded of God’s sovereignty, take comfort and hope in God’s plan for the future, and strive toward holiness in our lives in light of God’s coming judgment.