



## UNDERSTANDING THE SEALS, TRUMPETS AND BOWLS IN REVELATION

The seven seals (Rev. 6:1-17, 8:1-5), seven trumpets (Rev. 8:6-9:21; 11:15-19), and seven bowls (Rev. 16:1-21) are three categories of prophetic events covering interrelated human and spiritual end-time activities, and the final judgments from God. The seals describe events dealing with humans, the trumpets describe events in the spiritual world, and the bowls describe God's Wrath on the last day. The Satanic and demonic forces described in the trumpets cause human events to unfold over time. The trumpets and seals overlap one another.



**Seals**  
**Human Realm**



**Trumpets**  
**Spiritual Realm**

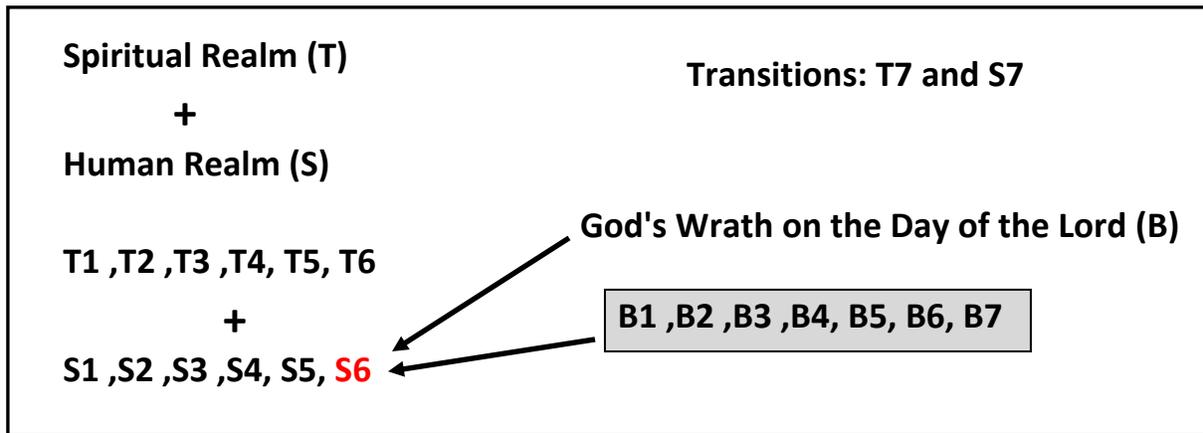


**Bowls**  
**God's Wrath**

Some argue that all these events took place during the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D. But Biblical and historical evidence point to a fulfillment after John wrote Revelation. Irenaeus, who lived in the second century, wrote in **Against Heresies** (5.30.3), that "John received the Revelation in our own time, toward the end of the reign of Domitian." Domitian's reign ended in 96 A.D., so most Biblical scholars date Revelation to the mid-90s, several decades after Jerusalem's fall at the hands of the Romans in 70 A.D. Others see these as still unfulfilled. It was in the future for the Apostle John, but many of these events have been fulfilled today.

The seal, trumpet, and bowl judgments of Revelation teach a couple of important truths. First, God's end times and eternal wrath are inevitable. Second, there is a way to escape God's wrath before it comes. Paul writes in Romans: "*There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus*" (Romans 8:1). Believers will not face God's Wrath during the judgment, because their sins were removed when Jesus died in their place on the cross (2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 2:24).

Everyone today would do well to listen and act upon what John said to his readers as he wrote the book of Revelation: "***Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.***" (Revelation 1:3).



**The Trumpets Are Events in the Satanic Demonic Realm; the Seals Are Earthly Human Events**

The seals, trumpets and bowls are not fully sequential. The sixth seal and all seven bowls reveal the Wrath of God, and must occur together on the last day. It is easier to understand the seals and trumpets when the objects of the prophecy are visualized. All the seal prophecies relate to human realm, and all the trumpets are about the unseen spiritual realm. The spiritual and human events overlap in time. They occur sometime after John’s vision and before Christ returns. **Both the seventh seal and seventh trumpet are transitions.**

**The Sixth Seal is Key to Understanding Sequence of Seals, Trumpets and Bowls; It is the Day of the Lord**

The sixth seal deals with human events on earth during the Day of the Lord. Thus, many of the trumpet events in the spiritual world must precede it. The seals, trumpets and bowls are not strictly chronological. It is easier to understand the seals and trumpets when their realms are visualized. All the seal prophecies relate to human realm, and all the trumpets describe the mostly unseen spiritual realm. The spiritual realm demons (trumpet prophecies) cause the humans to act on earth to fulfill the seal prophecies.



**Revelation 6: 12-17 (NIV)**

*I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The heavens receded like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.*

*Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?”*

The triune nature of God is affirmed with the words “For the great day of their wrath has come.” Trumpet spiritual events must occur before the sixth seal. The Day of the Lord occurs when the last trumpet is sounded. (Paul tells us this in 1 Corinthians 15:52 “In a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.”)

## **The Day of the Lord Descriptions Are in the Sixth Seal**

The four key phrases in the sixth seal 1) “They called to the mountains and the rocks, fall on us and hide us”, 2) “the stars in the sky fell to earth as figs drop from a fig tree”, 3) “the wrath of the Lamb” and 4) “the heavens receded like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place” are very similar to other Bible passages in Hosea, Isaiah and Revelation about the Day of the Lord, God’s wrath and Judgment Day.

### **Hosea 10:8 (NIV)**

*The high places of wickedness will be destroyed—it is the sin of Israel. Thorns and thistles will grow up and cover their altars. **Then they will say to the mountains, “Cover us!” and to the hills, “Fall on us!”***

### **Isaiah 24:1-5 (NIV)**

***See, the Lord is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it;** he will ruin its face and scatter its inhabitants—it will be the same for priest as for people, for the master as for his servant, for the mistress as for her servant, for seller as for buyer, for borrower as for lender, for debtor as for creditor.*

***The earth will be completely laid waste and totally plundered.** The Lord has spoken this word. The earth dries up and withers, the world languishes and withers, the heavens languish with the earth. The earth is defiled by its people; they have disobeyed the laws, violated the statutes and broken the everlasting covenant.*

### **Isaiah 34:4 (NIV)**

*All the stars in the sky will be dissolved and **the heavens rolled up like a scroll;** all **the starry host will fall like withered leaves from the vine, like shriveled figs from the fig tree.***

### **Revelation 19:15-21 (NIV)**

*He treads the winepress of the fury of **the wrath of God Almighty.** On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords. And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, **“Come, gather together for the great supper of God, so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and the mighty, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, great and small.”***

*Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army. But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.*

### **The Seventh Seal and Seventh Trumpet Are Transitions**

Both the seventh seal and seventh trumpet are transitions. The sixth seal shows us final human events on earth during the Day of the Lord. The seventh seal then transitions to show us overlapping time, but now from the view of events in the spiritual world. These are revealed to us in the first six trumpets. The seventh trumpet then transitions from the spiritual world to provide much greater detail of God's actions on the Day of the Lord—which causes the human actions described in the sixth seal. Finally, the seven bowls give more precise details of God's Wrath on the Day of the Lord.

Things make sense if we see the transition of the seventh seal into the trumpets as a clean break from the seals. The first six trumpets begin a whole new context (that of the spiritual world) but still represent the same chronological timeframe as the first five seals. The seventh trumpet is the last trumpet and brings on the Day of the Lord described both in the sixth seal (humans) and the seven bowls (God's actions).

There can be no more human events on the old earth when the Day of the Lord is complete. On the Day of the Lord the existing earth and heavens will be suddenly burned up, and a new heaven and new earth will be created. (2 Peter 3:10 *But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare, and Revelation 21:1-2 Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.*)



Thus, the seventh trumpet heralds and the sixth seal describes the Wrath of God bowls (i.e. the Day of the Lord), which takes place when Christ returns on his Second Coming. The trumpets are then a simple recapitulation of overlapping events from a different viewpoint than the seals---rather than a new chronological sequence. With this understanding, we see that the trumpets complement the information given in the seals. The trumpets tell of spiritual events. The seals tell of human events.

Therefore, we have no reason to assume that the trumpets must follow chronologically after the seal events. **Trumpets one to seven are not equivalent to “eight through fourteen” seal events.** Otherwise God would have just given us fourteen seal events. Many assume a straight sequence, thinking the seven angels are given trumpets after the seventh seal. However, there are many problems with that assumption:

- It ignores the fact that this marks a major transition from seals to trumpets, thereby dismissing all significance that God had intended when He divided the prophecy into these separate events.
- It also ignores the fact that the seven seals and the seven trumpets should each represent the completion of some purpose unto themselves (based on the meaning of the number seven). This completeness is lost if the trumpets are simply a continuation of whatever the seals started.
- Since the sixth seal is an earthly human summary of the bowls, **we must observe that the sixth seal must carry us all the way through the seven bowl events and the return of Christ in wrath** (Rev. 6:16-17 *They called to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the **wrath of the Lamb!** For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?”*). It doesn’t make sense that the bowl events encompassed in the sixth seal would then be chronologically later followed by these trumpet events.

### **Silence in Heaven for About Half an Hour--Satan Is Visible on Earth During This Time**

The trumpets describe spiritual events, revealing how Satan and his angels were thrown to earth. When the Lamb opens the seven seal, there is silence in heaven for about half an hour. There are several questions to ask about this silence. The first is, what is being silenced? Everything? The time is not actually for 30 earth minutes. Hence the Scripture says, “there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.” John makes the point that he is not writing about half an hour on earth, but in heaven.

Something so important was happening that heaven was totally silent. They were watching something very important in the spiritual world (the trumpets). They were watching earth while Satan and his demonic spiritual kingdom were set free. They were not singing or joyful since Satan and Mohammad were going to take billions of souls. They were subdued. Some very unusual on earth happened: **Satan became visible to Mohammad (as the “Angel Gabriel”), gave him the Koran, and took him from Mecca, Saudi Arabia one night on a white horse to the Outer Court on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.**

Peter tells us a day to Lord is like 1,000 years, and 1,000 years is like a day. (2 Peter 3:8 *But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.*) A half an hour (30 minutes) is 0.02083 of a 24-hour literal day ( $0.5/24 = 0.020833$ ). When compared to 1,000 years being equal to a day, this ratio calculates to 20.83 years ( $0.020833 \times 1,000$ ).

Mohammad claimed the “Angel Gabriel” physically appeared to him many times from 610 to 632. The Angel Gabriel (Satan) physically took Mohammad to the Temple Mount—where the Dome of the Rock is today. All of this was over a total 22-year time span, which was close to 20.83 years, but not exactly. The time periods are about the same. When we compare the time periods,  $22/20.83$  is 1.056. The time in heavenly minutes of Satan visiting with Mohammad was  $1.056 \times 30 = 31.7$  minutes as an adjusted measurement. **Thus, Satan was physically visible to Mohammad for 31.7 heavenly minutes, or “about half an hour.”**



**The Seven Seals—Human Realm Events**

- ✓ Seal 1, the human rider on the white first horse (**this is Mohammad**)
- ✓ Seal 2, the human rider on the red second horse (**this is Abu-Bakr**)
- ✓ Seal 3, the human rider on the black third horse (**this is Umar**)
- ✓ Seal 4, the human rider on the pale green fourth horse (**this is Uthman**)
- ✓ Seal 5, the human souls asking for justice (**human believers killed witnessing for Jesus over time**)

- ✓ Seal 6, There is a great earthquake, stars fall to earth and the heavens roll up like scroll. The kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?” **(The humans left on earth to face the Wrath of God on the Day of the Lord—Judgement Day, and the end of time, with the seven bowls.)**
- ✓ Seal 7, when he opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and hurled it on the earth. **(In the seventh seal John transitions to bring in the view of the spiritual realm events—the trumpets. The silence is heaven watching Satan on earth deceive Mohammad.)**

### **The Seven Trumpets—Spiritual Realm Events**

- ✓ Trumpet 1, hail and fire mixed with blood was hurled down on the earth. **(These are Satanic angels thrown out of heaven down to earth.)**
- ✓ Trumpet 2, something like a huge mountain, all ablaze, was thrown into the sea. **(This is the Satanic demonic kingdom thrown out of heaven to earth.)**
- ✓ Trumpet 3, a great star, blazing like a torch, fell from the sky on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water—the name of the star is Wormwood. **(This is Satan himself thrown out of heaven to earth. Isaiah wrote in Isaiah 14:12 “How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations!” and Jesus said in Luke 10:18 “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.”)**
- ✓ Trumpet 4, a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them turned dark. A third of the day was without light, and a third of the night. **(This tells us Satan took one third of the angels with him.)**

Next, an interlude with a warning to the inhabitants of the earth about what the spiritual creatures will do occurs before the fifth trumpet. This tells us what the spiritual creatures now cast down on the earth (Satan, his demonic kingdom, and one third of the angels) listed in the first four trumpets will cause next.

### **Revelation 8:13 (NIV)**

***As I watched, I heard an eagle that was flying in midair call out in a loud voice: “Woe! Woe! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the trumpet blasts about to be sounded by the other three angels!”***

- ✓ Trumpet 5, and I saw a star that had fallen from the sky to the earth. The star was given the key to the shaft of the Abyss. When he opened the Abyss, smoke rose from it like the smoke from a gigantic furnace. **(The fallen star is Satan and he released his demons and angels from the abyss. They have 5 months (152 days/years) to complete their first jihad attacks on the world. They now combine with human forces, the Four Horsemen from the first four seals, and attack from 610 to 762.)**
  
- ✓ Trumpet 6, “Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.” And the four angels who had been kept ready for this very hour and day and month and year were released to kill a third of mankind. **(The kill by what comes out of their mouths—meaning false testimony about Jesus. Islam will increase until one third of the world follows the False Prophet Mohammad.)**
  
- ✓ Trumpet 7, the last trumpet. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your people who revere your name, both great and small—and for destroying those who destroy the earth. **(In the seventh trumpet John transitions to the Day of the Lord—the seven bowls of wrath. This also transitions back to the sixth seal and judgement day.)**

### **Spiritual Events T1 ,T2 ,T3 ,T4, T5 (Satanic forces thrown out of heaven)**



#### **Satan Thrown to Earth in Revelation 12**

We are also told in Revelation 12 how Satan was thrown to earth, so this was a very important event. Satan is the great star falling to earth in the third trumpet vision. His false doctrine to Mohammad is Wormwood.

#### **Revelation 12: 7-12 (NIV)**

*Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah.*

***For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.***

***Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short."***

The first smaller hail in the first trumpet, mixed with fire and blood, represents the fallen satanic angels thrown down to earth along with Satan (the falling blazing star in the third trumpet) and his demonic kingdom (the blazing mountain in the second trumpet) and convinced Mohammad in 610 that Jesus Christ was not the Son of God.

We can get a better understanding of the Angel Gabriel from a quote from Mohammad himself. Mohammad said every time he had a revelation **"he felt like his soul was being torn from his chest."** This is certainly unlike any experience that Christian has when they are baptized and receive the Holy Spirit. The only entity that could tear your soul from you is Satan himself.



The fifth trumpet tells us locusts come out of dark smoke and have the power to sting like a scorpion. We are given the image of a horde of locusts streaming across the earth. The locust swarms are symbolic of the Islamic warriors streaming across the Christian lands from 610 to 762.



The dark smoke is the false doctrine of the Koran. This woe only hurts those who do not have the seal of God on the foreheads. This means the false doctrine of Islam only damages the souls of people who believe it and do not accept Christ. Those that believe in the Gospel cannot be harmed spiritually.

Revelation tells us the first woe lasts five months. Five months is symbolically 152 days or literally 152 years. This time begins from the year 610 when Satan first appeared to Mohammad, until Islamic leaders stopped their conquests and focused their efforts on building a capital in the new city of Baghdad in 762.

Revelation says the second woe (trumpet six) involves satanic Angels that come from the river Euphrates-- meaning the center of Islamic world. This woe will continue until one third of the world is killed, meaning by being Muslim and their souls are spiritually killed. The second woe is about the worldwide spread of Islam. The number of people is too large to count. Revelation tells us their power comes from their mouths--meaning Islamic false teachings and false doctrine.

## Human Events S1 ,S2 ,S3 ,S4, (Four Horsemen, False Prophet)

### The First Horseman on the White Horse Was Mohammad

Only the first rider on the white horse was given a crown. Thus, the first rider outranks the other three. (Revelation 6:1-2 *"I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest."*) Since he wears a crown, he ranks highest as a chief prophet, but is a False Prophet on a white horse. All those deceived will look to this prophet for the message. They will call him the "Messenger." Mohammad, as the prophet, outranked those following him.



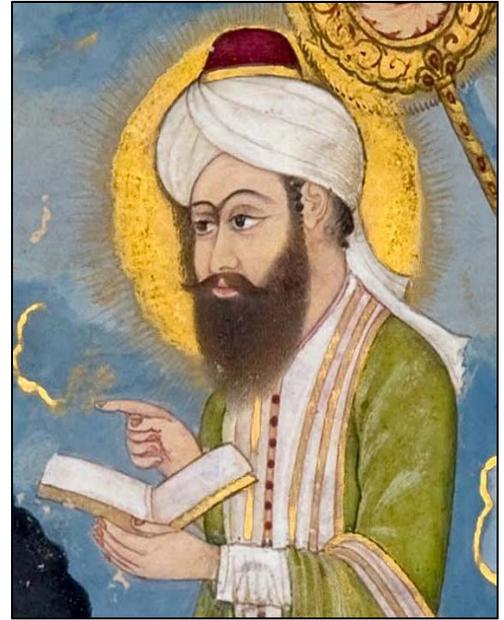
Mohammad's night ride to Jerusalem on a white horse fits the description the of the first rider. Islam claims Mohammad was taken to the outer court on the Temple Mount on a white horse, a place Revelation 11:2 says was set aside for gentiles, and does not belong to the people of God since it is "excluded." (Revelation 11:1-2 *I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, "Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, with its worshipers. But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles.*) The Dome of the Rock marks this site today.

### He Looks Like a Lamb But speaks Like a Dragon—Mohammad the False Prophet

The main human enemy of Jesus (in addition to Satan the spiritual enemy) will claim to speak for God, but instead really speaks for the dragon-Satan. He may not even know Satan is speaking through him.

This individual in Revelation 13 is referred to as "the second beast of the earth" and "It had two horns like a lamb, but it spoke like a dragon." (Revelation 13:11-18). Obviously, he has a pious appearance ("looks like a lamb"), but underneath his words and actions are dark and Satanic ("speaks like a dragon").

We can learn more about Mohammad from what the Bible tells us in Revelation chapter 13 about the False Prophet. Mohammad gave the image (the Kaaba Blackstone) and the mark (the Shahada.)



### Abu Bakr Is the Rider on the Red Second Horse

Revelation tells us the second horseman is on a red horse. He does not rank as highly as the first because he does not wear a crown. (Revelation 6:3-4 When the Lamb opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" 4 Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make people kill each other. To him was given a large sword.) The second rider on the Red Horse of War was the 1st Caliph after Mohammad, Abu Bakr.



From 622 to 632, Abu Bakr was Mohammad's chief adviser, but had no prominent public functions except that he conducted the pilgrimage to Mecca in 631, and led the public prayers to Allah in Medina during Mohammad's last illness in 632. In 632 Abu Bakr became the first caliph.

Abu Bakr's caliphate crushed the rebellion of the Arab tribes throughout the Arabian Peninsula in the successful Ridda Wars. Though the period of his caliphate covered only 27 months, it included successful invasions of the two most powerful empires of the time: the Sassanid Persian Empire and Byzantine Eastern Roman Empire.

In the last months of his rule, Abu Bakr sent general Khalid on conquests against the Persian Sassanid Empire in Mesopotamia and against the Byzantine Empire in Syria. This would set in motion a great Islamic Empire continued by Umar and then Uthman. In just a few short decades this would lead to one of the largest empires in history, **and it would control a quarter of the world.**

### Umar Is the Rider on the Third Black Horse

Umar was the second caliph and followed Abu Bakr. Umar ruled from 634 to 644. Revelation tells us the third rider is on a black horse with a pair of scales. (Revelation 6:5-6 *When the Lamb opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" I looked, and there before me was a black horse! Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, "Two pounds {quart} of wheat for a day's wages, and six pounds {3 quarts} of barley for a day's wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!"*) Among the many things Umar did was impose a new tax system.



Under Umar, the caliphate expanded at an unprecedented rate, defeating the Sassanid

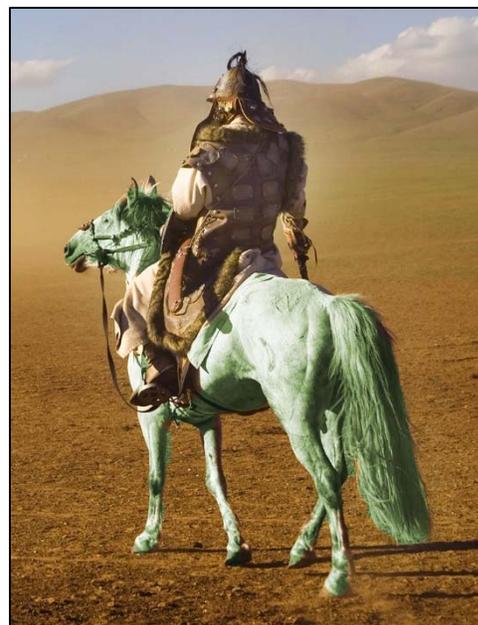
Empire and more than two-thirds of the Byzantine Empire. His attacks against the Sassanid Empire resulted in the conquest of Persia in under two years (642–644). After invading the Holy Land, and conquering Jerusalem in 637, Umar gave a covenant, or pact, that was a harsh treaty between the Muslims, Jews and Christians of Syria, Mesopotamia and Jerusalem. Umar "distributed the land for a price" (Daniel 11:39.) **Umar instituted taxation on the conquered peoples, as illustrated by the pair of scales to calculate the tax.**

### Uthman Is the Rider on the Fourth Green Horse

Revelation tells us the fourth rider is on a pale green horse (Revelation 6:7-8 *When the Lamb opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!" 8 I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth.*)

In many Bible footnotes, there is an explanation that the color is not pale, but rather pale green or green. The footnotes indicate the Greek word in verse 8 is *chlóros*: meaning pale green or green. This is the same derivative as in the word "chlorophyll", which gives the green color of leaves.

Uthman centralized the administration of the caliphate and established the official version of the Koran. Uthman created a standardized copy of the Koran by gathering all copies across the caliphate and burning all but one. That is why Islamic scholars try to claim today there are no errors in the Koran—since they came from the one copy that was not burned. The other Korans with errors were different and were destroyed.



Uthman is critically important in Islamic history because after his death marked the beginning of open massive religious and civil war conflicts within the Islamic community (called the “Fitnah”). Uthman was also murdered by other Muslims. Following his death, Ali was chosen as the fourth caliph, but not before violent conflict broke out. War erupted when Ali became caliph, and he too was killed in fighting in the year 661. The Sunni Shia split continues to this day. This is Daniel’s divided kingdom.

Seal 5 tells us about the many saints killed for Jesus over time. Trumpet 6 tells us that the demonic forces connected with Islamic doctrine of Mohammad will ultimately take (“kill”) one third of all the souls on earth. Trumpet seven announces the Day of the Lord, and seal six shows what happens to the humans on earth during the Day of the Lord. Believers will be raptured just at the moment Christ returns, but those left behind on earth face his wrath.

**Human Events S5 (Saints killed for Jesus over time)**



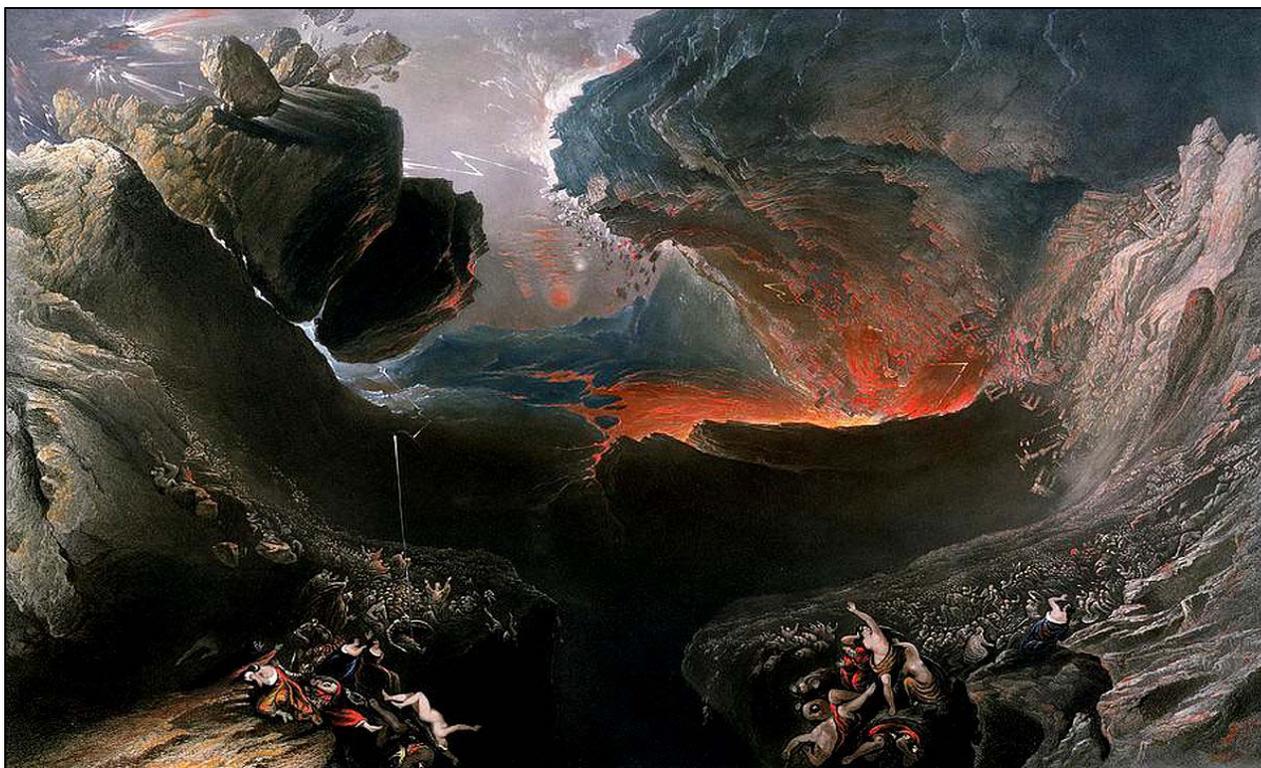
**Spiritual Events T6 (Satanic forces take one third of souls with Islam)**



**Spiritual Events T7 (The Last Trumpet announces the Day of the Lord)**



**Human Events S6 (Non-believers left on earth face the Wrath of God)**



## The Bowls Are the Actions of God on the Day of the Lord

- ✓ Bowl 1, the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the land, and ugly, festering sores broke out on the people who had the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. **(the non-believers left on earth are punished by Christ)**
- ✓ Bowl 2, the second angel poured out his bowl on the sea, and it turned into blood like that of a dead person, and every living thing in the sea died. **(as the mountains are leveled the sea is polluted)**
- ✓ Bowl 3, the third angel poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of water, and they became blood. **(as the mountains are leveled the fresh water streams are polluted)**
- ✓ Bowl 4, the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and the sun was allowed to scorch people with fire. They were seared by the intense heat and they cursed the name of God, who had control over these plagues, but they refused to repent and glorify him. **(On the Day of the Lord God moves the earth off its foundation, and the earth is moved very close to the sun)**

### *Isaiah 13:9-13 (ESV)*

**Behold, the day of the Lord comes, cruel, with wrath and fierce anger, to make the land a desolation and to destroy its sinners from it. For the stars of the heavens and their constellations will not give their light; the sun will be dark at its rising, and the moon will not shed its light.**

*I will punish the world for its evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; I will put an end to the pomp of the arrogant, and lay low the pompous pride of the ruthless. I will make people more rare than fine gold, and mankind than the gold of Ophir.*

*Therefore I will make the heavens tremble, and **the earth will be shaken out of its place,** at the wrath of the Lord of hosts in the day of his fierce anger.*

### *Haggai 2:6-8 (NIV)*

*“This is what the Lord Almighty says: **‘In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land.** I will shake all nations, and what is desired by all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory,’ says the Lord Almighty.*

### *Job 9:6-8 (ESV)*

**He shakes the earth from its place and makes its pillars tremble.** He speaks to the sun and it does not shine; he seals off the light of the stars. He alone stretches out the heavens and treads on the waves of the sea.

*Isaiah 24:19-23 (NIV)*

**The earth is broken up, the earth is split asunder, the earth is violently shaken.** *The earth reels like a drunkard, it sways like a hut in the wind; so heavy upon it is the guilt of its rebellion that it falls—never to rise again.*

*In that day the Lord will punish the powers in the heavens above and the kings on the earth below. They will be herded together like prisoners bound in a dungeon; they will be shut up in prison and be punished after many days. The moon will be dismayed, the sun ashamed; for the Lord Almighty will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, and before its elders—with great glory.*

- ✓ Bowl 5, the fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and its kingdom was plunged into darkness. **(the earth is moved far away from the sun into deep space)**
- ✓ Bowl 6, the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up to prepare the way for the kings from the East. **(the final battle as Satan is destroyed)**

Next, an interlude with a warning that the return of Jesus is associated with this last bowl. John sees three impure spirits out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet. These are the words out of the mouth of Mohammad, the False Prophet, from his Koran and Hadith.

*Revelation 16:13-16 (NIV)*

*Then I saw three impure spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet. They are demonic spirits that perform signs, and they go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty.*

*“Look, I come like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake and remains clothed, so as not to go naked and be shamefully exposed.” Then they gathered the kings together to the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.*

- ✓ Bowl 7, the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, **“It is done!”** Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since mankind has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath. Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found. From the sky huge hailstones, each weighing about a hundred pounds, fell on people. And they cursed God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible.



The huge hail in Revelation 16:21 falls during the end of the third (Islamic) woe on the remaining people on earth that had the mark of the beast, and since after the rapture, the only remaining are those whose names are not written in the book of life (Rev 13:8). This large hail falls at the time of the second return of Christ ("It is done." Rev 16:17) This larger and more powerful hail falls on the non-believers left on earth, and the hail represents the good and more powerful angels of Christ. These legions of powerful angels accompany Christ as he returns to judge the sheep and the goats at the end of the Day of the Lord.

