Rapture Revelation Session 2: Last Week Events & Seal Judgments

> The Last Week

Daniel 9:27 AMP

27 And he shall enter into a strong and firm covenant with the many for one week [seven years]. And in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and offering to cease [for the remaining three and one-half years]; and upon the wing or pinnacle of abominations [shall come] one who makes desolate, until the full determined end is poured out on the desolator.

- It begins with a ______ or agreement between ______ and the
- 2. Apparently, a ______ will be ______ because sacrifices are resumed.
- 3. Israel will be betrayed, and the "______ of _____" will occur. This happens 3 ½ years into the 7-year period. The Antichrist will enter into the Holy of Holies and will erect a statue of himself and proclaim himself to be God.

Matthew 24:15; 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4; Revelation 13:14-15 AMP

Again, these are the significant events that happen on the earth during that last 70th Week of Daniel's prophecy. Let's look now a few events that will occur prior to the tribulation period.

Events Before the Tribulation

The following is an overview of events from Revelation 13:

- 1. The Antichrist will have a mortal wound and be healed. As Satan indwells him, he will have power and authority given to him by ten nations. This gives him political power and is the power base to sign a treaty with Israel that will begin the tribulation.
- 2. A false prophet will be manifested right before the tribulation begins. He compels others to give honor and worship to the Antichrist which will lead to the "Mark of the Beast."
- 3. 2 Thessalonians 2:3 says that the great falling away, or apostasy of the professing Christian church, takes place before the beginning of the tribulation.
- > Tribulation Begins

Daniel 9:27; Daniel 11:36-39; Revelation 7:1-4

> <u>Two Prophets</u>

Revelation 11:3-13

For 3 ½ years, two prophets, or "His Witnesses" are sent to the earth on a heavenly mission. It clearly states that they have "His authority."

I believe that it is Moses and Elijah (Luke 9:30 Mount of Transfiguration). They are going to shake up the world. The world is going to hate them and their message.

- A Series of Judgments Begin
- The First Seal: _____

Revelation 6:1-2 ESV

Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!" 2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.

Daniel 8:23-25 ESV

23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand.

The first seal is broken at the beginning of the tribulation. It releases the Antichrist to begin his mission. He will gain control by "peace" that will be available through a world that has been overcome by the rejection of truth.

2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 ESV

The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, 12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness

During this period of the first opened seal many will die who believe in Jesus. False teachers and false prophets will arise and deceive many. The antichrist Apostate World Religion enforces the killing of anyone who believes differently. During this period the Abomination of Desecration occurs as well.

The Second Seal: ______

Revelation 6:3-4 ESV

When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" 4 And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword

Until this point, the antichrist keeps "peace" on the earth. But now, war begins. All alliances he may have had fall apart and war breaks out all over.

It is during this time of war that the remaining seals are opened.

The Third Seal: ______

Revelation 6:5-6 ESV

5 When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. 6 And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!"

Economic collapse happens causing a food shortage. This shortage causes prices to skyrocket and a famine for many. The fight for oil is at the center of this collapse.

The Fourth Seal: _____

Revelation 6:7-8 ESV

7 When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!" 8 And I looked, and behold, a pale horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.

One fourth of the world's population is killed. The enormity of this cannot be imagined. War, famine, disease & epidemics, etc. all unleashed upon the earth.

The Fifth Seal:

Revelation 6:9-11 ESV

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. 10 They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" 11 Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been

Believers are persecuted on mass. The antichrist leads the slaughter of those who believe easily by instituting a monetary program for every person on earth.

This system, or mark, begins early in the tribulation but I think it is finally fully instituted by this time and believers are exposed during this time.

The Sixth Seal: ______

Revelation 6:12-17 ESV

12 When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood, 13 and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. 14 The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. 15 Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

I believe this to come about by a massive nuclear war that is unleashed. The horrific trauma to the earth could only come about by something nuclear. This causes immense fear to fall upon all mankind. This must be a horrifying moment....all mankind will know that this the wrath that was to come.

* The Seventh Seal: ______ & Series of ______

Revelation 2:1-2 ESV

When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. 2 Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them

There is a moment of holy silence in the heavens. Imagine. Heaven which rings in praises continuously goes completely silent. Wow.

This seventh seal issues in a series of seven trumpet judgments. The horror announced by the first six trumpets is beyond comprehension, but the seventh trumpet announces the glory of the kingdom of Christ which is to come.