# Revelation 4-10 A Judgment on Jerusalem

# A View of Heaven (4-5)

"In the Spirit"

Building on the visions of others

Ezekiel's view of heaven

Zechariah's view of the Jerusalem's fate

John Saw	Ezekiel Saw
A door opened in Heaven	Heavens opened and with visions of God
Flashes of lightning	A cloud with lightning
4 living creatures	4 living beings with human form:
Had many eyes, each with 6 wings	4 faces and four wings
The face of a man, a bull, an eagle, a lion	The face of a lion, a man, eagle and bull
7 lamps of fire	Among them were fires darting around
7 lamps of fire = 7 Spirits of God	Each creature followed a Spirit
Something like a sea of crystal	A great expanse of something like crystal
A sound like thunder	A loud rushing noise like abundant waters
The Throne of Jasper and Sardius	The Throne appeared of Lapus Lazuli
A rainbow like an emerald at the throne	Radiance like a rainbow

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12 Sons of Jacob

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7 Spirits of God – Knowledge (Isa. 11:2)

The 7 Seals – all authority (Matt. 28:18)

## Opening Seals (6)

The 1st Seal: The Conquering King

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Seal: War

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Seal: Famine

The 4<sup>th</sup> Seal: Death

The 5<sup>th</sup> Seal: Delivery of the Saints

The 6<sup>th</sup> Seal: Shaking of the earth

6 Seals Opened:	Jesus' Prophesy in Matthew 24, Luke 21, Mark 13:
White Horse: Christ is crowned	(Matthew 28:19; overcome the world)
Red Horse: War	Matthew 24:6; war and rumor of war
Black Horse: Famine	Matthew 24:7; There will be famines
Pale Horse: Death/Famine/Pestilence	Luke 21:11; There will be plagues and famine
Martyrs of the Cause of Christ	Luke 21:12-16; persecution and death
Earthquake, darkened sun, falling stars	Luke 21:25-26; signs from heaven, signs in the sun, moon and stars, the powers of heaven
The men of the world calling the mountains and rocks to fall on them	Luke 23:30 Some will call the rocks to fall on them (on the road to the cross)
A fig tree example	Mark 13:28 a fig tree example

"And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Matthew 24:31

Then you shall flee through My mountain valley, for the mountain valley shall reach to Azal. Yes, you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake In the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Thus the LORD my God will come, and all the saints with You. It shall come to pass in that day that there will be no light; the lights will diminish.

Zechariah 14:5-6

Total deliverance of God's people

12x12x1000 = 144,000

Escaping the "Tribulation"

Spiritual Jerusalem (Zechariah 13-14)

Delivered by Angels = by the Word

But the people of the church in Jerusalem had been commanded by a revelation, vouchsafed to approved men there before the war, to leave the city and to dwell in a certain town of Perea called Pella.

Eusebius Pamphili, History of the Church (5.3)

The Destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple

"Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken."

Matthew 24:29

The Destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple

Image of Jerusalem compared to Egypt

And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. Revelation 11:8

6 Trumpets	Plagues of Egypt
First Trumpet: Hail and Fire	Plague of Hail and Fire from the Sky
Second Trumpet: A third of the sea becomes blood	Plague of Blood in the Water
Third Trumpet: A great star (Wormwood) poisoned 1/3 of the water	Plague of Blood in the Water
Fourth Trumpet: Sun, moon and stars darkened	Plague of Darkness
Fifth Trumpet (woe): The abyss is opened and locusts come out	Plague of Insects
Sixth Trumpet (woe): The 4 angels kill 1/3 of mankind	Plague of the Death of the Firstborn

Abaddon/Apollyon – The Destroyer

Probably not a literal angel or person

Most likely a personification of destruction

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For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and not allow the destroyer to come into your houses to strike you.

**Exodus 12:23** 

Point of the Seven trumpets:

- -To focus on the terrible destruction
- -To focus that even then they would not repent

I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

Matthew 23:37

#### Jesus Comes in Vengeance (10)

Descending "in the clouds"
The mystery is finished

how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery...... that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ....

Ephesians 3:3,6

# A Change of Prophecy

A new prophecy

"You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings"



#### The Promises of Judgment

For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?

1 Peter 4:17

#### How to Obey the Gospel

Do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

**Romans** 6:3-4