

Sunday Night Bible Study
LAUNCHINGPOINT

REVELATION

“WEEP NO MORE; BEHOLD, THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, THE ROOT
OF DAVID, HAS CONQUERED...”

REV. 5:5



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The Four Horsemen:

**What would happen
if man was left to
his own devices and
sin?**

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“The first four seals center on the depravity of mankind...the progression of the four seals is from lust of conquest (first seal) to civil war (second seal) to famine (third seal) to pestilence and death (fourth seal). This is the natural progression of man’s inhumanity to man. In other words, God simply allows human sin to come full circle, turn in upon itself, and self-destruct.”

Grant Osborne, *Revelation*

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The Four Horsemen:

Seals Opened

- **Timing: Daniel 9:24-27; Matthew 24:3-14**
- **Opened by the Lamb**
- **Voice of Command - Living Creature**



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The Four Horsemen:

The White Horse

- **White = conquest**
- **Bow and Crown**
- **Common Interpretations**
 - **Options: Christ; Spirit of Militarism; Antichrist**



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The Four Horsemen:

The Red Horse

- Red = bloodshed
- Takes peace from the Earth - slay one another
- Great Sword



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The Four Horsemen:

The Black Horse

- **Black = famine**
- **Scales - symbol of justice**



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The Four Horsemen:

The Pale Horse

- Pale (Green) = Pestilence and death
- Hades following - Symbol of the grave
- 1/4 of the Earth killed



“Reviewing the various interpretations assigned to the Four Horsemen tends to rob the contemporary reader of the dramatic nature of the vision itself. It is good to place oneself back in one of the seven churches and listen to the visions as they are being read. Instead of discussing the probably significance of each of the four colored horses those first listeners would undoubtedly have recoiled in terror as war, bloodshed, famine, and death galloped furiously across the stage of their imagination. Visions at best are to be experienced rather than analyzed. Those who approach Revelation with a sympathetic imagination are most apt to understand its true meaning.”

Robert Mounce, *The Book of Revelation*

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**Sin left to its own
devices brings for
death**

Takeaway Thought.

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**Abundance creates
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