

EVENTS UNDER THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH SEALS

1. What great event follows the falling of the stars, as witnessed by the prophet under the sixth seal? Rev. 6:13, 14. Compare Matt. 24:29 (last part).

2. How will that day come upon the unprepared? Verses 15-17.

3. In view of the stupendous issue before this generation, what message does God send? See Isa. 40:3, 10; Rev. 14:6, 7, 12.

4. What will be the condition among the nations while this message is being carried? Rev. 11:18; Joel 3:9,11, 14.

5. How are the nations restrained from utterly destroying one another? Rev. 7:1. Note 1.

6. For what special purpose are the winds of strife restrained? Verses 2, 3.

7. What is the sign, or seal, of the living God? Ezek. 20:20; Ex. 20:8-11. Note 2.

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8. What follows the closing of the sealing message under the sixth seal? Rev. 8:1; Matt. 25:31. Note 3.

9. What scene of triumph did John then behold? Rev. 7:9, 10.

10. What question was raised and answered for the benefit of those who meet temptation and trial? Verses 13, 14

11. What glorious picture is set before us who must serve a little longer here? Verses 15-17.

12. What special incentive to service have we in present-day conditions? — While gusty winds of strife blow here and there, still, God, in mercy, restrains the coming universal strife in order that the sealing message of Sabbath and Advent reform may be carried by us to all the world. Work not done in times of peace must be done in times of war and hardship. Now, just now, is the time to work.

NOTES

1. Winds are used as symbols of war and strife. Dan. 7:2; Jer. 23:35-33.

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2. Creative power is the distinguishing feature of the living God. Acts 14:15. See Rom. 4 for proof that sign and seal have the same meaning.

3. The silence in heaven at the opening of the seventh seal shows that this seal covers the actual appearing of Christ in the clouds of heaven as He comes with all the angels to gather His saints. Ministry in heaven ceases, and the scene of activity among the heavenly beings is transferred to the earth for a little time, until the hosts of angels and the redeemed, led by their Captain and Saviour, return to the city of God. Half an hour, prophetic time, would be about seven days. In a description of this scene in "Early Writings" we are told: "We all entered the cloud together, and were seven days ascending to the sea of glass." — *Early Writings p.12.*

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 REV. SEALS.
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 DIAGRAM

<p>7th Seal. Rev. 8 : 1. Heaven departs as a scroll. Silence in heaven. Matt. 25 : 31.</p>
<p>The end</p>
<p>6th Seal. Signs of the Second Advent.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE SEALING WORK. Rev. 7 : 1-8.</p> <p>Earthquake at Lisbon, 1755. 90,000 souls perished. Sun and moon darkened, 1780, May 19. Stars fell, Nov. 13, 1833. Matt. 24 : 29; Mark 13 : 24, 25.</p> <p>1844 to the end—</p> <p>The judgment hour and the sealing of the 144,000.</p>
<p>5th Seal. Reformation Era. Souls under the altar cry for vengeance. Gen. 4 : 10.</p>
<p>4th Seal. Papal Supremacy. Pale horse—death. Martyrs Slain. Rev. 13 : 7; Dan. 7 : 25.</p>
<p>3d Seal. 4th and 5th Centuries. Black horse—corrupt church. Pagan rites come into the church.</p>
<p>2d Seal. 2d and 3d Centuries. Red horse—perverted Gospel. Peace taken from the earth.</p>
<p>1st Seal. Apostolic Times. White horse—pure church. Rev. 19 : 8. Triumph of the early church.</p>

* For fuller explanation see pamphlet on "The Seven Churches and the Seven Seals." Bible Students' Library, No. 184, price 10 cents.