

An illustration of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. From left to right: a pale horse with a rider in a white shroud; a red horse with a rider whose face is a skull; a black horse with a rider holding a sword aloft; and a white horse with a rider wearing a crown and holding a bow. The background is a hazy, golden-brown sky.

# Famine, Sorrow, and Death

Revelation 6:5-8, 1 Thessalonians 5:9, Revelation 3:10

# Warnings

- God's first warning that we are living in the last days and judgment is coming was When Israel became a nation.
- God said that in the last days there would be wars, the worldwide preaching of the gospel, lawlessness, apostasy, false Christs, and signs in nature and the heavens.
- God has not appointed His wrath for those who are in Christ and love Him.
- It is not God's desire for anyone to fall under His judgment.

# Famine and Sorrow

- When Jesus opens the third seal, He will release upon the world a black horse which is associated with famine and sorrow.
- The black horse not only represents a food shortage, but it is also a picture of hyperinflation.
- After the antichrist gains full control, he will say to the starving world, *“You must take my mark and pledge your total allegiance to me.”*
- The fact that we can see the shadows of these four horsemen, tells us that we are close to the rapture of the church.
- The closer we come to the tribulation, the greater and more intense the signs will become.

# The Fourth Seal

- The fourth horse is not really pale, but the sickly green color of a decomposing body.
- There are really two horses, one that is a sickly green color of death, and the other is called hell.
- At least 8.5 billion people, or about 40 plus percent of the world's population will die between the day of the rapture and the early part of the tribulation.
- The mission of this pale-green horse is to kill people and to send their souls to hell.
- As terrible as the tribulation will be, hell is infinitely far worse than anything that will ever happen in the tribulation.

# Conclusion

- The release of the four horsemen will bring about wars and famine, causing so many to perish it will stagger our minds.
- Those who are in Christ and love Christ will not see one single day of the tribulation.
- The only way to miss the coming tribulation is to be born again by believing that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and the only way of Salvation.
- If you do not believe in Jesus, then you are destined for God's wrath.