



The Tribulation

**PART 1: REV. 4-6 – TRIBULATION
BEGINS**

**KEY
TRUTHS
OF REV.
4-6**

**GOD IS STILL ON
THE THRONE**

**JESUS ALONE IS
WORTHY**

**GODS PLAN IS
HAPPENING**

**WHAT
WE
BELIEVE**

CHURCH AGE (GRACE)

RAPTURE

TRIBULATION

SECOND COMING

MILLENNIUM REIGN

NEW HEAVENS/EARTH

**WHAT DOES
PROPHECY
PRODUCE IN
THE
BELIEVER?**

WORSHIP

HOLINESS

HOPE

EVANGELISM

PERSEVERANCE

CHAPTER
4-
THE
THRONE

Revelation 4:1 "After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven..." And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."

**CHAPTER
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THE
THRONE**

Revelation 4:2

At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.

**CHAPTER
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THE
THRONE**

PSALM 103:19
"The LORD has
established His
throne in
heaven, and
His kingdom
rules over all."

THE THRONE ROOM





THE THRONE REPRESENTS

- ▶ **AUTHORITY**
- ▶ **SOVEREIGNTY**
- ▶ **KINGSHIP**
- ▶ **JUDGEMENT**
- ▶ **SECURITY**

CHAPTER 4-
THE
APPEREANCE
OF GOD

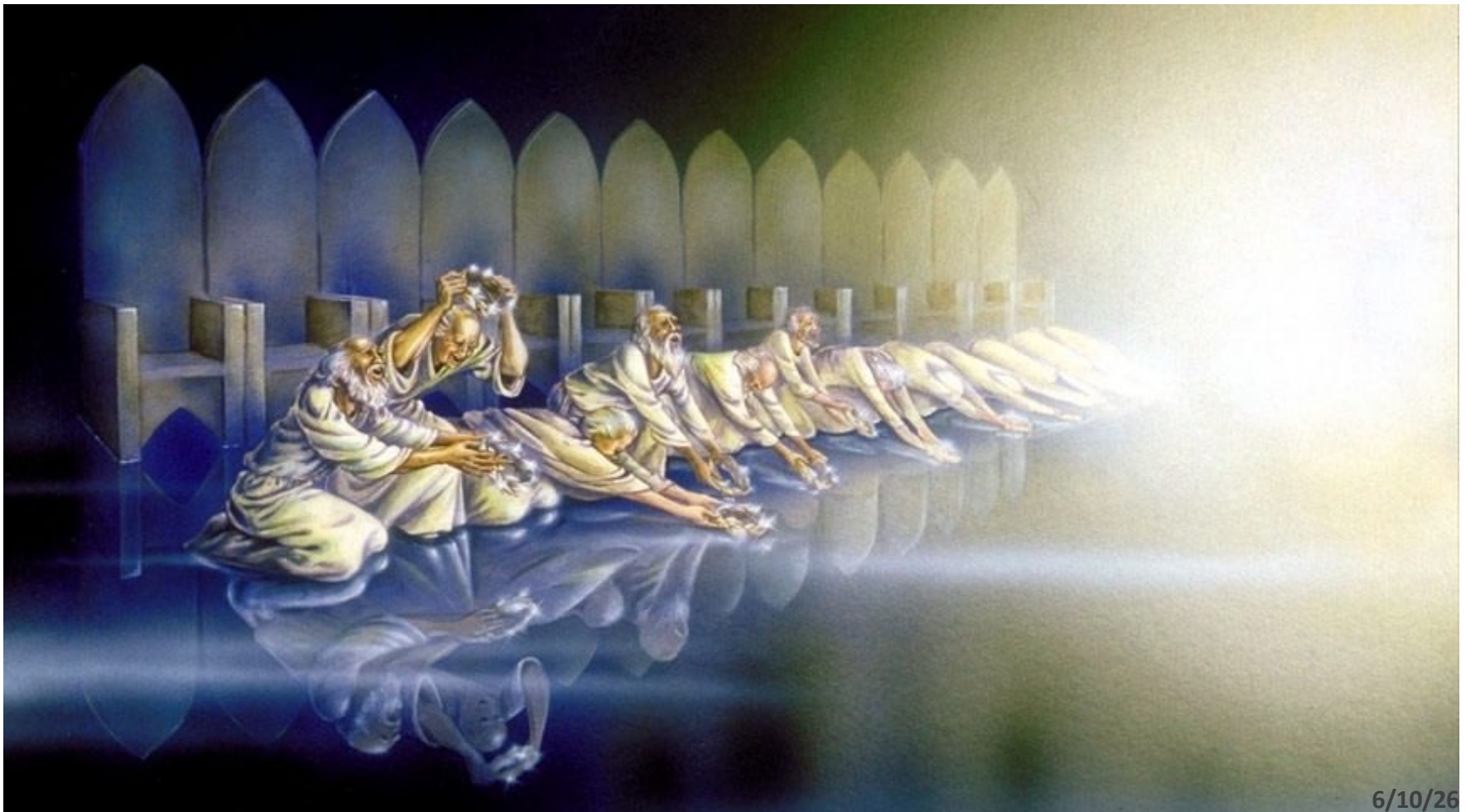
3 And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne.

CHAPTER 4-

THE 24 ELDERS

4 Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads.

THE 24 ELDERS



**The 24
ELDERS-
WHO ARE
THEY?**

- ▶ **ANGELIC BEINGS**
- ▶ **THE REDEEMED
PEOPLE OF GOD
GLORIFIED IN
HEAVEN**

CHAPTER 4-

CASTING CROWNS

9 Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne and worship him who lives for ever and ever.

CHAPTER 4-

CASTING CROWNS

They lay their crowns before the throne and say: 11 “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.”

CHAPTER 4-

4 LIVING CREATURES

From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing.> These are the seven spirits of God. 6 Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal. In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back.

CHAPTER 4-

4 LIVING CREATURES

7 The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. 8 Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come."

Four Living Creatures

- ▶ **LION = MAJESTY**
- ▶ **OX = STRENGTH**
- ▶ **MAN = INTELLIGENCE**
- ▶ **EAGLE = SWIFTNESS**

CHAPTER 4 APPLICATION

- ▶ **WHAT/WHO OCCUPIES THE THRONE OF YOUR HEART?**

REVELATION

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THE SCROLL AND THE LAMB

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. 2 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, “Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?” 3 But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. 4 I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside.

THE SCROLL AND THE LAMB

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REVELATION

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THE SCROLL AND THE LAMB

5 Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

REVELATION

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THE SCROLL AND THE LAMB

6 Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

THE SCROLL AND THE LAMB

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THE NUMBER 7

- ▶ **7 = COMPLETENESS**
- ▶ **HORNS = POWER**
- ▶ **EYES = KNOWLEDGE**

REVELATION

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WORTHY IS THE LAMB

7 He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. 8 And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people.

REVELATION

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WORTHY IS THE LAMB

11 Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. 12 In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

REVELATION

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WORTHY IS THE LAMB

13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" 14 The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

REVELATION

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WORTHY IS THE LAMB

Philippians 2:10 ...that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

APPLICATION FROM CHAPTER 5

- ▶ **CHRIST ALONE IS WORTHY**
- ▶ **SALVATION IS IN CHRIST ALONE**
- ▶ **WORSHIP IS OUR APPROPRIATE RESPONSE**

REVELATION

6

THE OPENING OF THE SEALS

The same
Savior who
offers
grace also
administers
justice.

SEAL #1

**THE WHITE
HORSE**

**“THE
ANTICHRIST”**

I watched as the Lamb opened the first of the seven seals. Then I heard one of the four living creatures say in a voice like thunder, “Come!” 2 I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest.

SEAL #2

**THE RED
HORSE**

“WAR”

3 When the Lamb opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, “Come!” 4 Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make people kill each other. To him was given a large sword.

SEAL #3

THE BLACK HORSE

“FAMINE”

5 When the Lamb opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, “Come!” I looked, and there before me was a black horse! Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. 6 Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, “Two pounds of wheat for a day’s wages, and six pounds of barley for a day’s wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!”

SEAL #4

THE PALE HORSE

“DEATH”

7 When the Lamb opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, “Come!” 8 I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth.

SEAL #4

THE PALE HORSE

“DEATH”

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained. 10 They called out in a loud voice, “How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?” 11 Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the full number of their fellow servants, their brothers and sisters, were killed just as they had been.

SEAL #5

“THE MARTYRS”

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained. 10 They called out in a loud voice, “How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?” 11 Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the full number of their fellow servants, their brothers and sisters, were killed just as they had been.

SEAL #6

“COSMIC DISTURBANCES”

12 I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, 13 and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. 14 The heavens receded like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.

“THE REACTION OF HUMANITY ”

15 Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. 16 They called to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! 17 For the great day of their[g] wrath has come, and who can withstand it?”



REVELATION 4-6 SUMMARY

- ▶ **GOD IS ON THE THRONE**
- ▶ **JESSU IS WORTHY**
- ▶ **HISTORY IS MOVING TOWARD
GOD'S KINGDOM**

THE FINAL MESSAGE

- ▶ The final message of Revelation 4–6 is not fear. It is confidence.
- ▶ The throne is occupied.
- ▶ The Lamb is victorious.
- ▶ And the King is coming.