

Revelation Chapter 6 - the First Seal Opened

PART 2

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In this Study we will be looking at the first seal that Christ opens. This seal reveals a white horse. The next three seals are also horses and collectively these first four seals are referred to as the "four horsemen of the apocalypse".

Apocalypse =

an event involving destruction or damage on an awesome or [catastrophic](#) scale.

"The fate of mankind rests in God's hands, and His patience is at an end. Christ alone is pronounced worthy to open the seals that announce God's judgments on the nations. The destiny of humanity is not a matter of chance or whim, but has been spelled out in the seals that He opens."

From the UCG Study Guide "The Horsemen of Revelation"

Time setting:

Revelation 1:10 NKJV - I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet,

Joel 2:30 NKJV - "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

Joel 2:31 NKJV - The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD.

The FIRST SEAL

Revelation 6:1 NKJV - Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals; and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come and see."

ESB: Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!"

From Barclay Daily Study Bible:

Before we study the section in detail, we note one general point. In the first section of the visions, Rev_6:1-8, the King James Version consistently follows a form of the Greek text which makes each of the four living creatures say: "**Come and see!**" (Rev_6:1; Rev_6:3; Rev_6:5; Rev_6:7). In all the best Greek manuscripts it is simply, "**Come!**" as translated in the Revised Standard Version. This is not an invitation to John to come and see; it is a summons to the four horses and their riders one by one to come forward on the stage of history.

From Preacher's Complete Homiletical Commentary:

Rev_6:1. One.—ἐνός, the first of the living ones. **Come and see.**—Properly only the word "**Come.**" This cry is not to the seer, but to the riders, who immediately begin to appear. Some take the invitation as

“addressed to the Lord Jesus. His creatures pray Him to come—and behold, instead of His coming immediately, there come these terrible precursors of His, so increasingly unlike Him.”

From Expositor's Bible Commentary, with an additional perspective:

Particular attention ought to be paid to the fact that the true reading of the last clause of this verse is not, as in the Authorized Version, "**Come and see,**" but simply, as in the Revised Version, **Come**. The call is not addressed to the Seer, but to the Lord Himself; and it is uttered by one of the four living creatures spoken of in Rev_4:6, who are "in the midst of the throne and round about the throne," and who in Rev_4:8 of the same chapter are the first to raise the song from which they never rest, saying, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord, God, the Almighty, which was and which is and **which is to come**." The word Come therefore **embodies the longing of redeemed creation that the Lord, for the completion of whose work it waits,** will take to Him His great power and reign. Not so much for the perfecting of its own happiness, or for deliverance from the various troubles by which it is as yet beset, and not so much for the manifestation of its Lord in His abounding mercy to His own, does the creation delivered from the bondage of corruption wait, as for the moment when Christ shall appear in awful majesty, King of kings and Lord of lords, when He shall banish for ever from the earth the sin by which it is polluted, and when He shall establish, from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, His glorious kingdom of righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

This prospect is inseparably associated with the Second Coming of Him who is now concealed from our view; and therefore the cry of the whole waiting creation, whether animate or inanimate, to its Lord is Come.

*Revelation 6:2 NKJV - And I looked, and behold, a **white horse**. He who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.*

From The Horsemen of Revelation:

White is a symbol of purity and peace. Here is a rider who appears to come in the name of and bearing a message of peace. But he is a conqueror, one who imposes his version of peace on the world. Possibly this rider will even bring about a pseudo peace, a condition described by the apostle Paul in 1 Thessalonians 5:3: "*For when they say, 'Peace and safety!' then sudden destruction comes upon them . . . And they shall not escape.*"

David Guzik's Enduring Word Commentary:

c. Behold, a white horse: Some - perhaps they take their interpretive clues more from cowboy movies than from the Bible - believe the rider on the white horse is Jesus. Jesus does return on a white horse in Rev_19:11-16. **But this is a satanic dictator who imitates Jesus.**

i. He rules (a crown was given); he rules with a bow, not a sword; and he exercises dominion over the earth (went out conquering and to conquer). But the results of his rule, as described in the following verses, show this is not the reign of Jesus.

ii. "The whole context and character of these seals absolutely forbid our thinking of this rider being the Lord Jesus, as so many affirm. His reign shall not bring war, famine, and strife in its train." (Jennings)

iii. Here we reach an interpretive crossroads of the Book of Revelation. **You can tell much about how a person understands this book and God's prophetic plan by seeing how they understand this first rider.** Those who think Revelation is mostly a book of history believe that this rider is Jesus, the apostles, or the Roman emperors. Those who believe that this is a prophetic passage, yet to be fulfilled, often account this rider to be the antichrist.

d. He went out conquering and to conquer: This final satanic dictator over men will be the more terrible than all previous dictators were. He will rule over men as a false Messiah, and lead man in organized rebellion against God, in the pattern of Nimrod, his first predecessor. He is the one often called the antichrist.

i. The idea of a satanic dictator over men goes back all the way to Nimrod, the ruler over Babel in Gen_10:8-14, where it says he was a mighty hunter before the LORD. This has the sense that he was a mighty hunter of men, and that he did this offensively in the face of God.

e. Today's political and social scene is certainly set for the emergence of such a political leader. All that waits is for the Lord to allow it in His timing after He takes His church from this earth. [This indicates Gozik most likely believes in the rapture.]

- i. And now you know what is restraining, that he may be revealed in his own time. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way. (2Th 2:6-7)
- ii. Significantly, the first seal opened brings this dictator to prominence. We understand that the seventieth week of Daniel 9 begins when this dictator will confirm a covenant with [the] many, referring to the Jewish people.
- iii. Many wonder if these four horsemen of Revelation 6 are connected with the seventieth week of Daniel and the great tribulation itself, or with the course of history up until that time. This initial emergence of the antichrist, connected with what we know about this leader from Daniel 9 shows that these four horsemen are connected with Daniel's seventieth week and the great tribulation.

(An alternative interpretation) From Preacher's Complete Homiletical Commentary:

Rev 6:2. White horse.—The rider is armed with a bow, and adorned with a victor's crown. **“This is an emblem of the gospel, which, through the instrumentality of preaching, is about to extend itself victoriously through the earth.”** For visions of horses see Zec 1:8-11; Zec 6:1-8. There is symbolic significance in their colours. Here the colours of the four horses symbolise triumph, slaughter, mourning, and death. The meaning of the first is disputed. **Simeon suggests that it symbolises the “spirit of conquest”; such as animates men like Alexander or Napoleon.** Carpenter improves on this by suggesting the spirit of Christian victory. **The horses used in Roman triumphs were white.**

From Expositor's Bible Commentary, with an another perspective:

Few figures of the Apocalypse have occasioned more trouble to interpreters than that contained in these words. On the one hand, the particulars seem unmistakably to point to the Lord Himself; **but**, on the other hand, if the first rider be the glorified Redeemer, it is difficult to establish that harmonious parallelism with the following riders which appears to be required by the well-ordered arrangement of the visions of this book. Yet it is clearly impossible to regard the first rider as merely a symbol of war, for the second rider would then convey the same lesson as the first; nor is there anything in the text to establish a distinction, frequently resorted to, by which the first rider is thought to denote foreign, and the second civil, war. **Every attempt also to separate the white horse of this vision from that of the vision at Rev 19:11 fails, and must fail.** Probably it is enough to say that not one of the four riders is a person. Each is rather a cause, a manifestation of certain truths connected with the kingdom of Christ when that kingdom is seen to be, in its own nature, the judgment of the world. Even war, famine, and death and Hades, which follow, are not literally these things. They are simply used, as scourges of mankind, to give general expression to the judgments of God. **Thus also under the first rider the cause rather than the person of Christ is introduced to us, in the earliest stage of its victorious progress, and with the promise of its future triumph.** The various points of the description hardly need to be explained. The colour of the horse is white, for throughout these visions that colour is always the symbol of heavenly purity. The rider has a crown given him, a crown of royalty. He has in his hand a bow, the instrument of war by which he scatters his enemies like stubble.* Finally, he comes forth conquering and to conquer, for his victorious march knows no interruption, and at last leaves no foe unvanquished. **In the first rider we have thus the cause of Christ in its essence**, as that cause of light which, having already drawn to it the sons of light, has become darkness to the sons of darkness. By the opening of the first Seal we learn that this cause is in the world, that this kingdom is in the midst of us, and that they who oppose it shall be overwhelmed with defeat. (* Isa 41:2)

The interpretation now given of **the first rider as one who rides forth to judgment on a sinful world** is confirmed by what is said of the three that follow him. In them too we have judgment, and judgment only, while the three judgments spoken of - war, famine, and death - are precisely those with which the prophets in the Old Testament and the Saviour Himself in the New have familiarized our thoughts.* They are not to be literally understood. Like all else in the visions of St. John, they are used symbolically; and

each of them expresses in a general form the calamities and woes, the misfortunes and sorrows, brought by sinful men upon themselves through rejection of their rightful King. (* Eze_6:11; Mat_24:6-8)

NOTE: It is interesting to see and be aware that these mainstream Christian commentators cast the first horseman in a positive light and doing a positive work of God.

What are the consequences of this interpretation?

Would this perspective allow mankind to support the endtime false prophet when he comes on the world stage?

Could these interpretations cause some to be deceived?

A WARNING FROM CHRIST!

*Matthew 24:4 NKJV - And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one **deceives** you.*

Matthew 24:5 NKJV - "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many.

DON'T BE DECEIVED!

The key is to LOVE THE TRUTH. Do you love the truth? Or is the way of the world what you desire. This is an area that we can make a difference in our future and what happens to us. If we love the truth, and seek it, we will not be deceived. If we do not love the truth, we will be swayed to accept a lie.

John 17:17 NLT - Make them **holy by your truth; teach them your word, which is truth.**

John 17:18 NLT - Just as you sent me into the world, I am sending them into the world.

John 17:19 NLT - And I give myself as a holy sacrifice for them **so they can be made holy by your truth.**

2 Thessalonians 2:8 KJV - And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

2 Thessalonians 2:9 KJV - [Even him], whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

2 Thessalonians 2:10 KJV - And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; **because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.**

2 Thessalonians 2:11 KJV - And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

2 Thessalonians 2:12 KJV - That they all might be damned **who believed not the truth**, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

James 1:17 KJV - Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

James 1:18 KJV - Of his own will begat he us **with the word of truth**, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

1 Timothy 2:4 KJV - Who will have all men to be saved, and **to come unto the knowledge of the truth.**

Comparing to Jesus Christ is Revelation 19:

Revelation 19:11 NKJV - Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him [was] called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

Revelation 19:12 NKJV - His eyes [were] like a flame of fire, and on His head [were] many crowns [NOT A SINGLE CROWN]. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself.

Revelation 19:13 NKJV - He [was] clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.

Revelation 19:14 NKJV - And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.

Revelation 19:15 NKJV - Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, [NOT A BOW] that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

Revelation 19:16 NKJV - And He has on [His] robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

So what we have is False Prophets... (and at the end time, a great false prophet).

Galatians 1:6 NKJV - I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, **to a different gospel,**

Galatians 1:7 NKJV - which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ.

Pervert = G3344 = μεταστρέφω *metastréphō*, met-as-tref'-o; from G3326 and G4762; to turn across, i.e. transmute or (figuratively) corrupt:—pervert, turn.

Galatians 1:8 NKJV - But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed.

Galatians 1:9 NKJV - As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have received, let him be accursed.

Paul's WARNING message to the elders at Ephesus:

Acts 20:28 NKJV - "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

Acts 20:29 NKJV - "For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock.

Acts 20:30 NKJV - "Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves.

Perverse = διαστρέφω *diastréphō*, dee-as-tref'-o; from G1223 and G4762; to distort, i.e. (figuratively) misinterpret, or (morally) corrupt:—perverse(-rt), turn away. le to turn aside from the right path, to pervert, corrupt:

2 Peter 2:1 NKJV - *But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, [and] bring on themselves swift destruction.*

2 Peter 2:2 NKJV - *And many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed.*

2 Peter 2:3 NKJV - *By covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words; for a long time their judgment has not been idle, and their destruction does not slumber.*

NLT: *In their greed they will make up clever lies to get hold of your money. But God condemned them long ago, and their destruction will not be delayed.*

1 John 4:1 NKJV - *Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.*

Jude 1:3 NKJV - *Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.*

Jude 1:4 NKJV - *For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Matthew 7:13 NKJV - *"Enter by the narrow gate; for wide [is] the gate and broad [is] the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.*

Matthew 7:14 NKJV - *"Because narrow [is] the gate and difficult [is] the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.*

Matthew 7:15 NKJV - *"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves.*

Matthew 7:16 NKJV - *"You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles?*

Matthew 7:17 NKJV - *"Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit.*

Matthew 7:18 NKJV - *"A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor [can] a bad tree bear good fruit.*

Matthew 7:19 NKJV - *"Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.*

Matthew 7:20 NKJV - *"Therefore by their fruits you will know them.*

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And at the end time, a final great deception:

Google "deception": *Deception is the act of convincing of one or many recipients of untrue information. The person creating the deception knows it to be false while the receiver of the information does not. It is often done for personal gain or advantage.*

Matthew 24:24 NKJV - *"For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders **to deceive, if possible, even the elect.***

2 Thessalonians 2:3 NKJV - Let no one **deceive** you by any means; for [that Day will not come] unless the falling away comes first, **and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition**,
2 Thessalonians 2:4 NKJV - who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

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2 Thessalonians 2:8 NKJV - And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming.

2 Thessalonians 2:9 NKJV - The coming of the [lawless one] is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders,

2 Thessalonians 2:10 NKJV - and with all unrighteous **deception** among those who perish, **because they did not receive the love of the truth**, that they might be saved.

2 Thessalonians 2:11 NKJV - And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie,

2 Thessalonians 2:12 NKJV - that they all may be condemned **who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness**.

From UCG The Horsemen of Revelation Study Guide:

This “son of perdition” matches the description of the figure described in Revelation 13 as a “beast,” one of two beasts in this section, this one with two horns like a lamb and speaking like a dragon (verse 11).

This person acts in tandem with the first beast (verse 1), actually causing people to worship the first beast with great adulation (verse 12)

Revelation 13:1 NKJV - Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name.

Revelation 13:2 NKJV - Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like [the feet of] a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority.

Revelation 13:3 NKJV - And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast.

We view this mortal wound as when the Roman Empire fell in 476 A.D.

Revelation 13:4 NKJV - So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who [is] like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?"

Revelation 13:5 NKJV - And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months.

Revelation 13:6 NKJV - Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven.

“By their fruits you will know them...”

Matthew 7:15 NLT - "Beware of false prophets who come disguised as harmless sheep but are really vicious wolves.

Matthew 7:16 NLT - **You can identify them by their fruit**, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?

Matthew 7:17 NLT - A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit.

Matthew 7:18 NLT - A good tree can't produce bad fruit, and a bad tree can't produce good fruit.

Matthew 7:19 NLT - So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire.

Matthew 7:20 NLT - Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions.

Matthew 7:21 NLT - "Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter.

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Revelation 13:11 NKJV - Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon.

Revelation 13:12 NKJV - And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

Revelation 13:13 NKJV - He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men.

*Revelation 13:14 NKJV - **And he deceives those who dwell on the earth** by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived.*

The world does not know God's word.

2 Peter 3:15 NLT - And remember, our Lord's patience gives people time to be saved. This is what our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you with the wisdom God gave him --

*2 Peter 3:16 NLT - speaking of these things in all of his letters. Some of his comments are hard to understand, and **those who are ignorant and unstable have twisted his letters to mean something quite different, just as they do with other parts of Scripture.** And this will result in their destruction.*

2 Peter 3:17 NLT - I am warning you ahead of time, dear friends. Be on guard so that you will not be carried away by the errors of these wicked people and lose your own secure footing.

*2 Peter 3:18 NLT - Rather, **you must grow in the grace and knowledge** of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. All glory to him, both now and forever! Amen.*

Revelation 13:15 NKJV - He was granted [power] to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed.

Revelation 17:5 NKJV - And on her forehead a name [was] written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

Revelation 17:6 NKJV - I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marveled with great amazement.

STAND FAST!

*2 Thessalonians 2:13 NKJV - But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and **belief in the truth**,*

2 Thessalonians 2:14 NKJV - to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*2 Thessalonians 2:15 NKJV - **Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle.***

2 Thessalonians 2:16 NKJV - Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given [us] everlasting consolation and good hope by grace,

2 Thessalonians 2:17 NKJV - comfort your hearts and establish you in every good word and work.

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### Discussion Questions:

1. The first horseman rides a white horse and appears to bring peace, yet is ultimately a deceiver. In your daily life, what are some modern examples of things that appear good and righteous on the surface but are actually leading people away from God's truth?

2a. The notes highlight how some mainstream commentators interpret the first horseman as a positive figure doing God's work. How do you personally evaluate the teachings and interpretations you encounter — whether from books, sermons, or online sources? What practical "filters" do you use?

2b. How do you create "filters" you can trust?

3. Jesus warns in Matthew 24:4, "Take heed that no one deceives you." This implies deception requires our active guard against it. What specific habits or spiritual disciplines do you practice to keep yourself alert to deception?

4. Comparing Revelation 6:2 with Revelation 19:11-16, we see key differences between the counterfeit rider and the true Christ — a single crown vs. many crowns, a bow vs. a sword from His mouth.

What does this teach us about how counterfeits often look close enough to the real thing?

How does this principle apply to false teachings you've encountered?

5. 2 Thessalonians 2:10 says people perish "because they did not receive the love of the truth."

What does it look like, practically, to love the truth — not just know it or agree with it?

How would someone's life look different if they merely acknowledged the truth versus truly loved it?

6. Paul warned the Ephesian elders in Acts 20:29-30 that "savage wolves" would arise from among the church itself.

How do you balance being loving and trusting while also remaining vigilant?

What does healthy discernment look like without becoming suspicious or divisive?

7. Matthew 7:16 tells us, "You will know them by their fruits."

What specific "fruits" should we be looking for — both good and bad — when evaluating a teacher or leader?

Can you share an example of a time when examining someone's "fruit" helped you discern truth from error?

8. 1 John 4:1 instructs us to "test the spirits." What does this look like in your everyday life? When you hear a sermon, read a Christian book, or see a religious message on social media, what practical steps do you take to test whether it aligns with God's Word?

9. Jude 1:3 urges us to "contend earnestly for the faith."

In a culture that values tolerance and avoidance of conflict, how do you contend for the truth in your relationships — at work, with family, or with friends — without being combative or self-righteous?

Where is the line between standing firm and being gracious?

10. 2 Thessalonians 2:15 calls us to "stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught." What are the core truths and practices you hold onto as anchors in your spiritual life?

As the world grows more chaotic and deceptive, what one specific action could you commit to this week to strengthen your foundation in God's truth?

### Additional Resources:

United Church of God Bible Study Guide: The Horsemen of Revelation

<https://www.ucg.org/learn/bible-study-tools/bible-study-aids/horsemen-revelation>

United Church of God Bible Study Guide: The Seals of the Prophetic Scroll

<https://www.ucg.org/learn/bible-study-tools/bible-study-aids/book-revelation-unveiled/seals-prophetic-scroll>

UCG: Lessons from the Prophet Daniel: The Truth of the Fourth Beast

<https://www.ucg.org/course/lessons-prophet-daniel/lessons-prophet-daniel-truth-fourth-beast>